

Calls report 'myth'

Iraq denies counter-attack

Yorkshire ripper enbrought to court

LEEDS, Jan. 6 (AFP) - The county of lay by Yorkshire was celebraring the lifting of a of off, Sond of fear last night, following the arrest of ⁵Agen, the supposed ripper mass murderer. Pubs in ere, whe towns of Leeds, Bradford, and the surenyanterounding area where 13 women were murthe Up dered and mutilated in five years were alive

with comment on Monday's court appear-Panied ance of truck driver Peter Sutcliffe, accused of killing student Jacqueline Hill, supposed the last of the ripper's vicitims. Women who had kept indoors since Jac-

the Women who had approximately and appeared relaxed :r in a gradient out in the streets again, and appeared relaxed esident out in the streets again, and appendix of the singled with in Key and cheerrin. Popular rener was much angry the desire for revenge, as shown of the Sutut thei life, 35 from Bradford, was brought by iganda, police with his head covered with a blanket to ne of the the court at Dewsbury near here.

cat Obe The crowd fought to get at Sutcliffe, and

ied Up there were cries of "hang him." (The death ses in penalty has been abolished in Britain and life Capon & imprisonment is oow the maximum sentence

possible). ng a rec Meanwhile; Sutcliffe's friends and rela-"o one pions proclaimed their disbelief that he could er as be the ripper. His wife Sonia was still under

usted police protection for fear of reprisals but her mother, Maria Szurma, told affrieod: "I will 20mmin never accept it." Sonia berself was even ollown: reported to have told a neighbor that on a 102 000 recent visit to Leeds her husband had told ber

med : he was afraid of the ripper. His boss described. ed sur him as a good worker and added; "he appeared to be a very deep, sensitive person. Other friends described Sutdiffe, picked up in 197 dor by a uniformed police patroknan who spotted

the false number plates on his car in Sheffield

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Friday night, as a reserved persoo who was apparently an affectionate husband.

The arrest of the supposed ripper, even if it was by chance, has brought a flood of congratulations for the 300 detectives involved in the hunt for the ripper. They will now be returning to mutine work, while it looks as if the British taxpayer can console himself with the fact that the four millioo pounds (\$8 million), which the investigations have cost, were well spent.

Sutcliffe, a lorry driver, bas beeo charged with murdering a girl student. While the police struggled to control a big crowd outside the court, three magistrates ordered that he should be held in custody until next Wednesday. The crowd jeered and threw missiles as Sutcliffe was rushed from the court and driven to an unknown destination.

Besides the murder charge, he was accused of stealing a set of number plates.

For the last four years the police have hunted the so-called Yarkshire ripper in the industrial towns of northeast England, Sutcliffe has worked as a long distance driver for the same trucking firm for four years and the firm used his photograph at the wheel of a truck in the publicity brochure. The police told a press conference Sunday that they intended to wind up the search for the York -shire ripper, a mckname borrowed from that of Jack the ripper, who killed six womeo in 19th century in Loodon.

The Ynrkshire ripper, first struck no October 30, 1975, in Leeds, has claimed 13 victims. The police dubbed the killer the ripper because, like the 19th century murderer, he attacked only women and mutilated their bodies.

BEIRUT, Jan. 6 (AP) — Iran claimed Tuesday it wiped out two Iraqi brigades and captured 2,000 soldiers in a counter-offensive that dislodged Iraqi forces from defense positions carved inside franian province of Khuzistan.

The state radio in Tehran said the tank-led onslaught of the Iranians was "so sudden that the Iraqi bad no time to put up the least resistance, with all their forwardline armored units swiftly annihilated," in the Khuzistan oil province.

Irao's state radio in Baghdad described the two-day counterattack as a "myth, existing nnly in the imagination of the Iranian leaders." Communiques from the Iraqi military command spoke of "attempts against our forward pusions that have all been crushed.

An "authoritative Iraqi source" has denied Tehran reports of major victories against Iraq, the Kuwaiti News Agency (KUNA) reported Tuesday, "Official reports from Tehran on the success of an Iranian counteroffensive said to bave begun Monday against Iraqi forces are ridiculous," KUNA quoted

the source as saying. The source added, "If it is true that the rate of fighting has stepped up in the past two days :because of Iranian attacks against our positions inside Iranian territory, these dispersed and apparently uncoordinated attacks cannot be called a counter-affensive. "The Iraqi army, which has been concentrated for several weeks in positions protected by heavy artillery and anti-aircraft defenses is capable of repelling any major Iranian attack," the source coocluded.

The spokesman of Iran's Supreme Defense

Pakistan to maintain stand on Afghanistan intervention

By Shahid Orakzai Special Correspondent ISLAMABAD, Jan. 6 - President Zia ul Haq Tuesday dispelled apprehensions that -Pakistan's latest initiative for talks with Kabul under the acgis of United Nations was

Council Hojatoleslam Ab Khamenei told Tehran radio the Iranian offensive launched at mid-morning Monday had now turned the war tide in Iran's favor at the southern front in Khuzistan. "The enemy's strong defensive positions have been almost entirely crushed and there is oo place in southern Khuzistan between the Iraqis and the border where they can make a stand," said Khamenei.

"Our forces can continue their progress down to the border," said the man who represents Iran's supreme leader Ayatollah Khnmeini nn the defense council. "The offensive definitely must continue." Iraq claims to have conquered one third of Khuzistan in the first three weeks of the war on the oorthern flank on the Gulf, oow in its 16th week.

Communiques from the Iranian command and reports by Tehran radio and Iran's official Pars news agency show the counteroffensive has been mounted mainly to dislodge Iraqi forces from positions near Khuzistan's capital of Abwaz and the key highway town nf Susangerd.

Ahwaz is 67 kilometers east of the Iraqi border. Iraq maintained artillery positions eight kilometers from the city of 400,000. Daily pounding of Ahwaz prompted the country's religions leaders to put strong pressure on President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr to launch his long-promised counter-offensive, The hard-pressed president ordered his troops and armor in Khuzistan to charge at 0630GMT on Monday and fired off a telegram to Khomeini in the evening saying the first stage of the assault was an "outstanding



the question of recognizing the Kabul regime. Asked if Kabul insisted upoo recognition prior to dislogue, President Zia said "We are



Prince Abduilab

Saud delivers summit message

KUWAIT, Jan. 6 (SPA) - Kuwaiti Ruler Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah Tuesday received a message from King Khaled dealing with preparations for the forthcoming Islamic Summit Conference in Saudi Arabia. The message was conveyed to Sheikh Jaber by Foreign Minister Prince Sand Al-Faisal, who arrived here earlier in the day.

Prince Saud said be was hopeful the summit would yield positive and fruitful results. Interviewed by newsmen at the airport, he did not rule out the possibility of Arab heads of state holding a side summit during the Taif conference, He said that Arab meetings were welcome at any time and any place. The summit will be solemnly inaugurated in the Holy Haram in Mecca, Jan. 25 and the proceedings will take place the next day in Taif. It will be preceded, Jan. 17-21, by a conference of the foreign ministers of Islamic states.



bids called

By a Staff Writer

RIYADH, Jan. 6 - Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard ordered a contract for building a township for the National Guard be released for international tender. The project includes accommodation for personnel and their families with full facilities on a turnkey basis.

A spokesman for the National Guard said Prince Abdullah had given orders to exclude agents and intermediaries, and companies interested in the project must apply directly to the guard's administration. Applicants for at least SR400 million, he said. They must submit detailed information about their financial status, experience and previous accomplishment in the constructioo business.

The companies can apply as a consortium although the Guard will reserve the right to ask for the formation of the best possible companies in the consortium, March 8 will be the last date to submit the bids.

Three mooths agn Prince Abdullah rejected all four bids made to execute the project an the basis of "unreasonable overcharging."

The project, which is one of the largest in the Kingdom, will include 2,500 homes with full support facilities. Four international companies made bids in excess of \$3 billion last year. They included the U.K.-based Cementatioo with the lawest bid at \$3.3 billioo followed by Sweden's Skanska Cement Jutriet at \$3.4 billion, Royal Bos Kalis of the Netherlands at \$3.667 billion and fourth was Austria's Universale Hoch Uod Tief Bau at \$3.894 billioo.



BORDER MEETING : U.S. President-elect Rouald Reagan and Mexico President Jose Lopez-Portillo shake hands on the Cordova Bridge linking El Paso and Juarez, Mexico

To promote cooperation

Reagan, Portillo meet which links the U.S. and Mexico over the Rin

MEXICO, Jan. 6 (Agencies) — Monday's meeting here between U.S. President-elect Ronald Reagan and Mexican President Jose 1-15 Lopez Portillo, held in what a joint statement termed an atmosphere of friendship and inconterrespect, showed Reagan's eagerness to cement relations and alliances throughout the American continent, observers said.

3N 99 The joint statement said the two men 'agreed to develop bilateral mechanisms in n 10**05** order to make the cooperative relationship between both countries productive and beneficial." It was later indicated that the two had made tentative plans to meet again within the next six months. To accentuate the symbolic character of the encounter, Reagan and Lopez Portillo met at the middle of the area,

Thorn begins four years as EEC head

BRUSSELS, Jan. 6 (R) - Gaston Thorn, multilingual politician from tiny Luxembourg, Tuesday began: four years as chief executive of an expanding European Common Market. He bas earned respect from other European leaders during his two decades of public life, including five years as prime minister of his country of 350,000 people. He and his 13 fellow commissioners will meet for the first time Tuesday to decide formally on distributing policy portfolios among themselves. Eight of them are veterans, having served under Britain's Roy Jenkins, who Monday bowed out by praising the way the community had held together in the past four years despite serious problems. He cited, as the achievements of his term, the establishment of the European monetary system and the commission's heightened role in community affairs.

Thron, 52, the son of a railway worker, takes over as the community begins five years adjusting to Greek accession. During that time, it is scheduled to complete negotiations on Spain and Portugal joining, which will bring membership to 12.

Grande.

The handshake between the two men was cordial, but Lopez Portilla did not give the future U.S. president the "abrazo" (hug) that is a traditional sign of warmth and respect m Latin America. Their hour-long meeting took place in a room in this city's art and history museum. In recent days, the Mexican President has not hidden his apprehensino at the possibility of a return by the U.S. to a policy of gun-coat diplomacy in Laon America, notably in countries where Marxism has secured a foothnld, such as El Salvador, Nicaragua and Guana.

Reagan, at the recommendation of his advisers, has decided to expedite aid to countries whose political tendencies are palatable to his administratioo, without taking into consideration, as President Carter did, those countries' human rights records.

Reagan was accompanied to the meeting by top foreign and domestic policy advisers.

Though the Mexican president was the first head of state to meet President Carter, Mexican-American relations under the Carter administratioo developed serious disagreements over supply of Mexican gas to the United States, illegal immigration by Mexicans and territorial disputes over fishing wat-CTS.

In the close-door talks Monday, Reagan may have intended to side-step these delicate issues. Texas Governor William Clements, who sat in on the meeting, said it was intended principally to lay "the groundwork for a future agenda. A Reagan adviser later said that Reagan told the Mexican President that Mexico and the United States had speot too much time in the past talking about each other and not coough time talking to each other. He quoted Lopez Portillo as responding, "Magnificent."

Reagan aides said later the two leaders would meet periodically in U.S.-Mexican border towns to discuss the many topics that had created friction between the two countries. Foreign policy aide Richard Allen said the first meeting would take place within the next six months at ao unspecified time nr date.

a shift from its principled stand on the Afghan crisis.

" Our initiative opens up the whole prob-lem (Afghan issue) without compromising our stand," Zia told reporters after inaugurating an international seminar on monetary and fiscal economics of Islam jointly sponsored by King Abdul Aziz University and Pakistan's government.

President Zia said Pakistan earnestly desired a solution of the Afghan problem which," We are facing along with Muslims and other people of the free world." But he added that such a solutioo must be in accordance with the wishes of the Afghan people and ensure the withdrawal of Russian forces and return of 1.3 million refugees to their country.

Pakistan last week urged the U.N. secretary general in arrange a dialogue between Islamabad, Tehran and the Peoples Democratic Party of Afghanistan, as recommended by U.N. general assembly. Pakistan's request in letter from Foreign Minister Agha Shahi had been delivered to Kurt Waldheim presently vactioning in Florida, but a U.N. spokesman was quoted as saying that the secretary general was continuing appropriate consultations for nominating a special emissary to promote political settlement of Afghanistan.

President Zia supported the initiative say-

On terrorists **Turkey continues crackdown**

London Bureau

LONDON, Jan. 6 - The Turkish govern-. ment is prepared to take all necessary measures tn meet challenges from terrorist groups, Prime Minister Bulend Ulusu said in an interview with Asharq Al -Awsat newspaper Tuesday.

"We will stamp out any challenge to the security and future democracy of our country, " he said in an exclusive interview. Ulusu added that the threat comes from two main sources, the " Red Terror " and the " Black Terror, " and oeither of these will he tolerate.

" First, we have known for many years how Communists, assisted by Russia, bave attempted - sometimes successfully - to use our free and democratic trade unions and institutions to create industrial unrest in their efforts to destroy the nation's economy, Also, as is well known, these same people have been involved in much of the violence and terrorism in recent years. This we are now bringing under control."

* As for the Black terror : " the Islamic fundamentalism of Ayatollah Khomeini and the Muslim Brotherhood has no place in the modern state of Turkey. Turkey, as I have said, is a Muslim state but its constitution. permits the tolerant practice of other faiths.

Asked if be had any specific information to show what the result of his government's anti-terrorism campaign was. He said in the government program the primary task is to ensure security of life and property as well as supermacy of law and order in the country.

" The figures I will give you are based on comparisons of statistical data pertaining tothe 80 day period between June 24-Sept. 11, and to the following 80 day period between Sept. 12-Nov. 30.

not so naive." He added that in the latest initiative Pakistan enjoyed the support of the Muslim block and a total of countries which voted for the U.N. resolution,

About his visits to Turkey, Kuwait and other Gulf states next week, Zia said it aimed at evolving a unified approach on major problems before the Islamic heads nf states assemble in Mecca for a Third summit. He said talks were still in progress for ending hostilities in the Gulf, but did nnt elaborate. Speaking earlier at the seminar Zia called for changing the present international economic order and added that Islam could provide a just economic order guaranteeing both freedom and sustenance to man. He said capitalism had freedom, but no sustenance while Socialism, although providing sustenance, lacked freedom. Financial experts from Muslim countries want to create an integrated Islamie economic system to meet the challenge of modern times.

Earlier President of King Abdul Aziz University, Dr. Abdullah Omar Nassef, cosponsor of the seminar, recounted the efforts of his university for research in Islamic economics. He said that evolving a oew economic system based on Islamic injunction is a challenge for the Muslim economists. The seminar, a follow up of the first beld in Mecca three years back, is part of Pakistan government's celebration of the new Hijra century.

The figures giveo showed that armed assaults and clashes were reduced tn 305 in the period following Sept. 12, from the figure of 1,609 in the preceeding 80 day period. Incidents involving the use of explosives were cut from 704 to 238 in the same period, and the overall death toll reduced from 680 in the 20 provinces when martial law was declared, down to 132 throughout the whole 67 provinces of Turkey.

In the same period the number of hand weapons seized increased from 1,823 to 6,871. These figures did not include the 132,550 pistols, 2,474 machine guns, 25,144 rifles, 5,087 kilos of explosives and 18,647 electrical detonators surrendered voluntarilly to the authorities under the 'Law on Seizure of Unlicensed Arms,' which has made it a punishable offense to be in possession of unlicensed guns or explosives. A law that has affected bardest the male population of the Black Sea region of Trabzon, where almost every man possessed his own personal hand weapons as display of his masculinity.

This kind of statistical data, Ulusu said, is clear evidence of the success of the oew administration 'in the fight against anarchy, terrorism and illegal traficking of arms and ammunition.

"We are absolutely determined to cradicate the centers of terrorism to ensure peaceful co-existence of citizens with different political views and to achieve full and smooth functioning of the democratic order,' be added.

Asked about his governme of s future foreign policy, with particular regard to its Mus-lim Arab neighbors and the country's continuing role in NATO, he replied: 'In our

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Oil reserves face exhaustion

OPEC reports

ABU DHABI, Jan. 6 (Agencies) - Arab oil production is running too high and reserves could be exhausted earlier than scheduled if output continues at present levels, the Organizatioo nf Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) secretariat has warned.

Turning to prices, the secretariat's sixth report Monday said that the cause of continual hikes was inflation in the industrialized economies. The report said that in real terms, the crude cost oo more last year than in 1974. The secretariat said that the massive prices

had been crucial in abliging the West to pay more attention to developing alternative energy sources, thus spinning out oil reserves.

Meanwhile, in Qatar, British energy Minister Howell Monday urged oil-producing countries to avoid price explosions which were dangerous for the Western economy. He told a press conference: "If there have to be oil price rises, then steady and gradual increases are favored. There is a worldwide tendency to avoid price explosions, and we

should work hard to maintain the present

stability." The minister said talks with Qatari officials Monday dealt with developments in the world oil situatioo. He said be had also discussed how Britain could help in developing Qatar's huge natural oil reserves, but no decisions were taken.



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Prince Salman says **Palestine remains prime issue**

RIYADH, Jan. 6 (SPA) - King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd coosider the Palestinian issue as their prime cause and have already proven this through deeds, not only by words, Riyadh Governor Prince Salman said Monday. He added that Saudi Arabia is upholding the position despite the hardships it endures as a result of such a clear-cut stand.

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Prince Salman was addressing a ceremony held at Fatch's office here to commemorate the 16th anniversary of the Palestinian armed struggle. He said that in retaliation to such a stance, Saudi Arabia is exposed tn lies, conspiracies and exaggeration in describing its home conditions on the part of "numerous quarters." But Islam and Arabism make it Imperative for the Kingdom never to relinqu-ish its position, Prioce Salman said. He added that he was sorry, however, that some Muslims and Arabs sometimes feel attracted hy "tendencies that can only serve the enemies of Arabs and Muslims." Prince Salman said the King government and people of Saudi Arabia are adhering to the Palestinian cause."

Ever since it was created in 1965, Fatch has been a purely Palestinian movement that helongs to no party and an organization and works salely for Palestine, Prioce Salman pointed out. He said the instructions of King Faisal at that time are that Saudi Arabia should cooperate with the movement without



Prince Majed expressed his admiration for

propaganda in order not to endanger it as : nascent nrganization. Prince Salman said "We are inseparable from the Palestinian Revolution and the Palestinian people, sharing with them whatever good or bad comes," the prince added.

Prince Salman announced the reorganiza-tioo of the Popular Committee for the Welfare of the Families of Palestinian Freedom Fighters and Martyrs, except that now the committee is being renamed Popular Committee of Assistance to the Palestinian Mujahideen. He added that the prevailing circumstances had made it imperative to change the committee's name. He also said the committee was being revived in response to the desires of the Saudi people and of their Palestinian hrethren living with them in the week. The prince hoped that soon another

Rafiq Al-Natsha, Fateh's representative in

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Maghreb	5.55	5.50	5.21
Isha	7.25	7.20	6.51
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Jack Bizzell Trade mission



Al Medina

interesting to note that an artist has to pay dearly for his reputation, as his reputatino

First phase underway Hospital open to Saudis **By Jean Grant**

Alkhobar Bureau

DHAHRAN, Jan. 6 - The King Abdul Aziz military base hospital here is oow well into its first phase of operations. The hospital was visited by King Khaled in a ribboncutting ceremooy in late November and opened to patients no December 13.

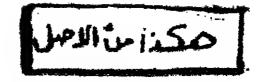
One hundred and seveoty staff with 16 doctors cover most specialized areas from opthamology to surgery. Thirty-two of the hospital's 100 beds including thuse in the intensive care unit are now open. In the hospital's phased opening, the obstetrics and

gynecology ward is to open in April. The hospital is to be fully operational by June.

King Abdul Aziz military base hospital is a referral hospital for the Ministry of Defense and Aviatinn (MODA) and serves Saudi military personnel.

The expansion plans of project director Habib Allah call for further pediatric facilities and housing for all staff on the hospital compound. At present, staff live in two housing compounds in the hospital complex and at the new Gulf center in downtown Al-Khubar





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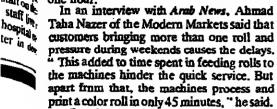
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<u>Due to boom</u> Film processing delayed

By Monir Mohammad_Ali

/ base hop nisury of b JEDDAH, Jan. 6 - The demand for colored film processing and printing caused delays in the OSS (quick service system). according to the owner of a Jeddah phnio Project shop. Limited capacity is hindering procesunther the staff on the sing and printing of color photographs within one hour.



" People say we have nn right in claim something we can not do. We can do it, but we have a limited capacity at the present" Nazer said. But still, the QSS remains the fastest processor and printer of colored films even if it takes a couple of hours, he added.

Nazer, one of the color film processing and printing pioneers in the Kingdom, started work in 1965. Being a specialist in his line nf business, he has greater ambitions. It is the first shop for QSS printing and still is the only one. Though others tried they could not carry-nn because of various reasons, Nazer said

"We faced many challenges but we were able to survive them," he went on." The first difficulty comes from the processing and printing machines that were produced for the first time, and by a new company.

" When we bought the equipment, we took every precaution that secures a regular service, by bringing considerable amount of spare parts under the guidance of the manfacturers. But the problems we faced were unexpected by the manufacturers themselves," he said.

A second machine that was planned for one of his nther shops rescued the regularity of the QSS." We could not operate the other machine in our downtown shop because of the electricity supply in that area is low.

He added that even foreigners are surprised that such an efficient ano quick service

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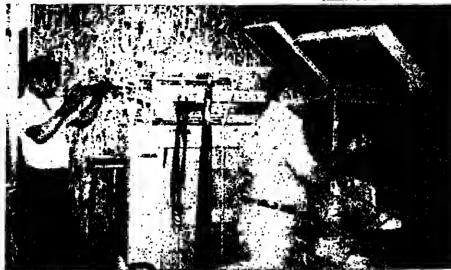
Leader urges support MECCA, Jan. 6 (SPA) - Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan, secretary general of the Muslim World League, appealed to all those who will address the faithful during next Friday's collective noon prayers in devote their speeches to the Afghanistan Jihad (struggle) against the Soviet usurpers on the first anniversary of the Russian invasion of their homeland.

Harakan also called on Muslims to give material and moral assistance to their brothers in Afghanistan until they triumph over their enemies.

is available here when it is not in Europe. It is available in a few places in the United States. One has opened in the Far East, he said, but they charge three times our price here. SR 2 for every printed photograph and SR 8 for processing the film is charged by the QSS, the same as the other ordinary phnto shops," We are making sacrifices, but then we are also doing fine, "he said.

The idea started sever..! years ago when business was booming in every aspect in the Kingdom, " We only needed capital to start. Competition grew and the boom subsided.

Three years ago, Nazer and his partner started the quickest service, the 24-hours processing and printing. " Other shops began the service recently, so we moved a step ahead," he said. The QSS was introduced in March, 1980. It moved into two shifts starting 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. to maintaio the standard when business increased



MACHINE ROOM : Workers use machines to meet the overwhelming film processing.

Planners consider tent substitutes of Mena project, said that another meeting

JEDDAH, Jan. 6 (SPA) - Saudi nfficials are trying to find substitutes to tents during pilgrimage to avnid fires. A meeting was held at the headquarters of Mena project here Monday to debate the issue.

Abdul Aziz Ghandoura, director general

Officials discuss ci vil service statutes

RIYADH, Jan. 6 (SPA) - Officials of the Civial Service Board and employment directors at the Defense and Aviation Ministry met together here Monday to discuss the holstering of cooperation and coordinatinn among them in implementing the civil service

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statute. The meeting was held upon the instructions of the minister, Prince Sultan, and Sheikh Turki Al-Sudairi, the bead of the Civil Service Board. Speakers highlighted the advantages of decentralization in the recruitment of professionals, especially at the fifth rank and down.

will be held on the same subject. Representa-

rives from the Pilgrimage Research Center,

Mena project and the Advisory, administra-tion and Engineering Consultancy Bureau

tonk port in the meeting.

SEA-LAND SERVICE

Turkey receives \$4.7m Islamic Bank loan

JEDDA, Jan. 6 (SPA) - The Islamic Development Bank Monday gave Turkey \$4.7 million. The money went to the Turkish Industrial Development Bank to help increase the capital nf two Turkish industrial firms that produce particle wood and copper.

The assistance is to raise to 6,000 square meters the annual production capacity of the wood factory and to 18,00 tons that of the copper plant. The agreement was signed by IDB President Dr. Ahmad Muhammad Ali and representatives of the Turkish bank and the two firms.

Another development, Muhammad Ali, left here Jeddah Tuesday for Islamabad where a seminar is to be held on Islamic monetary and other economic questions.

Some 80 specialists will attend from Saudi Arabia, Kuwaii, Jnrdan, Bangladesh, Malaysia, Iran, Oman, Turkey and elsewhere. The seminar, run by King Khaled bin Abdul Aziz University and the Pakistani planning ministry, will be presided over by Pakistani head of state Muhammad Zia ul

Flautist recital held in Jeddah By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Jan. 6 - " One of the best concerts given since the inception of the Jed-

concerts given since the inception of the Jed-dah Concert Committee three years ago." This was the general after-performance feel-ing of those who attended the recital giveo Monday night hy noted French flautist, Alain Marinn, and locally based pianist Caroline Haffner. At the close of the recital the artists performed four encores, a mark of the warmth with which the audience enjoyed the concert.

The recital was the first given by the guest artist in Jeddah although he has played in numerous countries around the world, most recently Japan. It was from that country that he received as a gift the 14 carat gold flute which he uses for his performances. According to Marion, it produces a much warmer tone than the more common silver flutes. His is nne of only five gold flutes in the world. Marion studied in Paris under Jean Pierre

Rampal and in 1961 was winner of the International Music Competition in Geneva. Caroline Haffner is also a past winner of the competition. She took top prize in 1973.

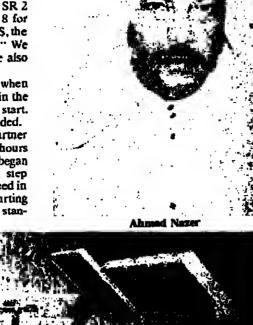
Marion, whn is Professor at the Conservatoire National Superieur de Paris and at the International Summer Academy at Nice, has played under many rennwned conductors. They include Charles Munch, Bernstein, Martinon, Vnn Karajan, Celibidach, Boulez, Maazel, Ozawa, Guilini, Boehm, Klemperer. Salit and Mehta.

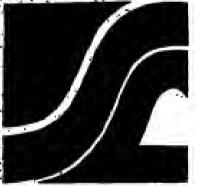
Monday's program, played to a capacity audience in the auditorium of the Continen-tal School, included sonatas by Bach and Franck, romances hy Schuman and the Poulenc Sonata, Marion is the second flautist to be brought to Jeddah by the Concert Committee. The first, Spanish artist Antonio Arias, was a former pupil of Marion.

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aiming at presenting at least one concert per month, although occasionally there my be mnre than one. This month, for example, there probably will be two concerts - the nne just finished and another at the end of the month, the Apollo's recital of Baroque Musie. The artists will be baroque violinist Monica Huggett, Sophia McKenna on the oboe and Jeddah-based couple Primrose and Christopher Amander who will accompany nn the celln and harpsichord.

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Threatened with collapse

Begin cabinet given respite of few days

TEL AVIV. Jan. 6 (Agencies) - Prime Minister Menahem Begin gained a respite of tew days Tuesday for his government, inteatened with collapse over teachers' pay ormands. Finance Minister Yigael Hurvitz said he agreed to Begin's request to withhold his resignation for " two or three days, not later than the cabinet meeting. " Apparently, n.; was referring to the regular weekly cabinet manual scheduled for Sunday.

rlurvitz has ibreatened to quit - and in so during, almost certainly bring down the government - if the leachers' demands are met. He says ? they would contradict his antiinflation measures that have aircady slashed the national budget and even cut into defense winding.

" If we can't find a solution at the cabinet meeting, the education minister and myself may go home." he said." or one of us may go nome or the whole government may go nome." "Going home" is Hurvitz's caphemism for resigning.

Hurvitz was speaking to reporters after be and Education Minister Zevulun Hammer

met with Begin in search of a compromise on the teachers' demands. Hammer said nobody wanted the government to fall, and that all sorts of ideas were heing examined. Meeting would go on in hopes of a solution, he said. Should Hurvitz resign, he would be Iollowed by the two other members of his Rafi political faction in Begin's ruling Likud coalition, and deprive the government of its slim majority in parliament.

A source close to the prime minister's office said Tuesday that Begin was sparing no efforts to persuade Hurvitz to stay on. But Hurvitz reportedly wanted to quit now as if the Likud government falls, under a caretaker government no minister is allowed to resign

The source said reports that Begin was about to resign were "premature." He added that numerous deputies outside the coalition had promised their support, preferring to back a minority government until general elections in November rather than risk losing their seat altogether.

MPs' Afghanistan visit irks British government

LONDON, Jan. 6 (Agencies) - Labor Party Members of Parliament who left here is Afghanistan Monday at the invitation of the Soviet-backed government, were accused by a Conservative London newspaper of a betrayal of democracy.

The three members are accompanied by Muhammad Arif, secretary of the Londonbased friends of Afgbanistan Society.

Kon Brown of Leith, Allen Roberts of Bootle and Robert Litherland of Manchester contral, were critical of the Conservativeis aming Daily Express which said:

The visit ... is a betrayal of all that this assaury, indeed of all that the Labor Party purports to stand for in terms of freedom and democracy.

"The Russians are intent on using them to convey a totally nusleading impression of British acquiescence in the brutal annexation ot Afghanistan'

A foreign office spokes man said of the MPs visit that "Britain has no substantive contact with the Karmal regime" and considers any contact which could give that regime "additional status" as inappropriate, "especially while Soviet forces, on whom they depend for support, remain in Afghanistan."

Meanwhile, British Foreign Secretary

Lord Carrington said Monday he believes strong Western reaction to the invasion of Afghanistan bas made Moscow think twice before intervention in Poland.

"I would hazard a guess that one of the reasons why so far at any rate the Soviet Union has not intervened militarily in Poalnd is their knowledge that there would be a very sharp reaction - sbarper reaction, indeed from the West than there was the Afghanistan."

In a taped television interview with the British Broadcasting Corporation he said he thought the Soviet move into Afghanistan in Dec. 1979 had set Third world opinion against the Soviet Union and had been very damaging to East-West relations, particularly to the strategic Arms Limitation Talks (SALT).

Meanwhile, the International Red Cross has decided to set up two bospitals for Afghan refugees in the Pakistani border town of Peshawar. Under an agreement signed by Red Cross delegation chief Jean Courvoiser with the Pakistan government, the bospitals will cost \$2 million.

In another development, a former politician Nematullah Pazhwak has been appointed adviser to Afghan President Karmal, Radio Kabul said.

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MEET HOSTAGES : Algerian Ambassador Abdulkarim Gheriaeb, (right) and Ben Hossein of the Algerian Foreign Ministry, (left) in bottom photo, talk with two American hostages held in Iran. The photos were released by Iran's official news agency Pars last week.

After 'baseless report' Egypt bans Israeli newsmen

CAIRO, Jan. 6 (Agencies) - Egypt bas banned all correspondents of the Jerusalem Post from entering the country following a report in the Israeli newspaper of a power struggle in Cairo, officials said Tuesday.

Clarifying an order issued Monday night, they said the ban applied to all Jerusalem Post journalists and not just the reporter who wrote the article. They described the report as lies and baseless allegations.

The report, written by Anan Safadi, a correspondent who recently visited Cairo, spoke of an imminent Egyptian Cabinet reshuffle and a struggle in the leadership. Informed sources said President Anwar Sadat was consulted before the ban was announced. Israeli journalists have been traveling bere

since Sadar's 1977 visit to Israel. It is the first time any of them bave been barred from the country.

The report quoted informed sources in Cairo as saying that Vice-President Hosni Mubarak bas been trying to place his associates in prominent position in the Egyptian government with the intention of building a power base." I stand by it and I will stand by it, and you will read more," Safadi told the Associated Press. "I am saddened but I stand by it," he added.

Safadi said be returned last week from Cairo, where "sources in the inner circles of Sadat's administration" told him of the impending reshuffle. Safadi wrote that ingaged in a p with Sadat's closest associates, if not with Sadat himself."

Turkish military promises to restore democratic rule

ANKARA, Jan, 6 (R) - Turkish military leader Gen. Kenan Evren Tuesday pledged to return the country to democracy but be said the army will not submit to internal or foreign pressure.

Gen. Evren who heads a five-man ruling National Security Council that seized power last Sept., was inaugurating a year of celebrations marking the 100th anniversary of the hirth of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, founder of modern Turkey. As in previous speeches, Gen. Evren did not give a timetable for a return to democracy. But he said "without yielding to any amount of internal and external pressure "military leaders would restore the supremacy of state authority and reestablish a working democracy.

The general has said he will announce the timetable for a return to parliament rule sometime this year.

The ceremony was attended by three

Libya ratifies treaty with Chad ment in Chad sbould be within the

LONDON, Jan. 6 (R) - Libya Monday ratified a friendship treaty with Chad signed in Tripoli last June, the Libyan News Agency Jana reported. Libya belped Chad President Goukouni Oueddei drive the rebel troops of Defense Minister Hissene Habre from the Chad capital of N Djamena three weeks ago after a nine-month battle for the city.

The agency quoted Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi as saying that a Lihyan involve-

review a request for emergency aid. Libyans take over embassy in China

PEKING, Jan. 6 (AFP) - The Libyan embassy bere was officially transformed into a "people's bureau" of the Socialist Libyan People's Arab Jamahiriya" during a brief ceremony bere Tuesday.

Arabic language teacher Abdulla El Harari, who said he was in China as a tourist, was elected president of the "people's committee" which beads the "people's bureau", in the ceremony held before several foreign journalists.

Similar ceremonies bave already been held in Libyan embassies in various world capitals including Tokyo. The 15 Libyan nationals present said they aimed at setting up "direct cooperation" between the Libyan and Chinese people instead of "going through governments.

The embassy diplomats including Charge d'Affaires Muhammad Elgharari, said they had given up their diplomatic status and would inform Chinese authorities.

When the trial resumes, the judges are

cerning the constitutionality of the law cover-

ing organization of parties.

Egypt adjourns trial of militants ties. Defense lawyers bave argued that the defendants were acquitted of similar charges

CAIRO, Jan. 6 (AFP) - The trial of 30 Egyptian militants has been recessed until on April 19. Saturday by the state supreme security court bere. expected to respond to defense pleas con-

The 30 militants are accused of forming "a clandestine Communist Party and of breaking the ban on the formation of political par-

Sadat message thanks Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 6 (Agencies) Egyptian Foreign Minister Boutros Ghali Monday delivered a special message from President Anwar Sadat to the President of Argentina Jorge R. Videla.

The Argentine chief oI state met Ghali at noon at the government bouse. Ghali arrived Sunday for a four-day visit. He is also scheduled to visit three other Latin American, countries - Chile, his next stop Thursday,

Peru and Mexico. In his message, President Sadat expressed thanks for the "moral support' rendered by Argentina to his peaceful efforts in the Middle East. Ghali and his Argentine colleague Carlos W. Pastor will sign Wednesday an agreement on technical and scientific cooperation between the two countries.

Ghai laid a wreath at the statue of Argentina's national bero, Gen. Jose San Martin.

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MADRID, (AP) - Chedli Klibi, Arab report that the diplomat bad been kidnapped.

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former presidents, top military leaders,

members of the military-civilian government,

senior academics and foreign diplomats the most selected gathering since the coup. Officials close to the military council say it

hopes to establish a constitution which will

contain provisions to avoid the kind of politi-

cal stalemate which preceded the coup. The

ceremony took place in the National Assem-

bly building, emptied of parliamentarians by

the generals last Sept. Many parliamen-tarians have been detained and more than 50

Ataturk, the genereal-turned-statesman

who fought to establish the modern Turkish

state after the collapse of the Ottoman

Empire is revered as a father-figure even 42

It was in Atanirk's name that the generals

seized power last Sept. 12, the third military

framework of a bilateral treaty deposited

with the Organization of African Unity

Libya's role in Chad has caused uncase

among the Central African country's neigh-

bors. In New York, a U.N. spokesman said

Assistant Secretary-General Gordon Goun-

drey has left for Chad Monday night to

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Mintoff visits Morocco RABAT, Jan. 6 (AP) - Dom Mintoff, prime minister of Malta, arrived in Rabat on a four-day official visit following earlier stops

in Tunisia and Algier. "We have come to discuss with our Moroc-

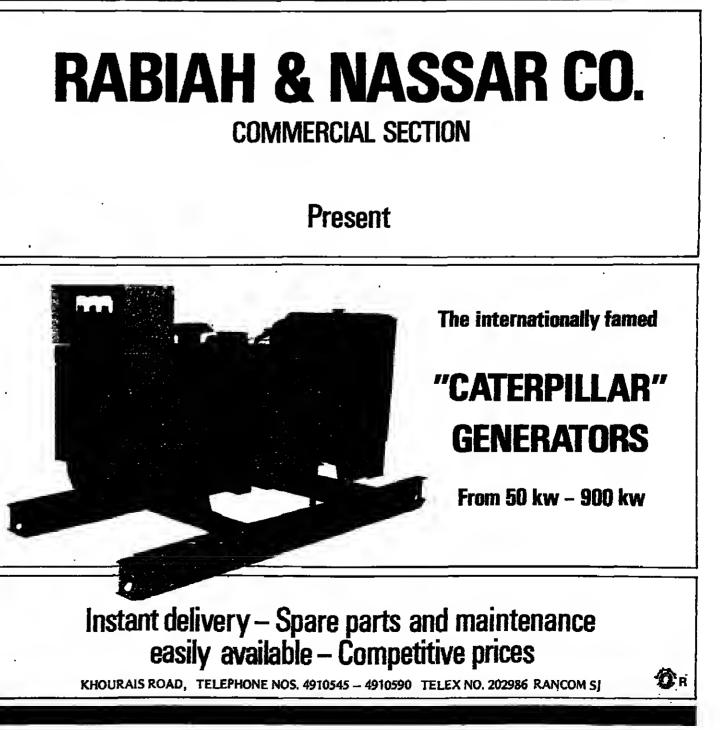
can brothers the possibilities of strengthening economic cooperation as well as our common political positions," Mintoff said on arrival Monday night.

for an official visit to Spain, Spanish govern-ment sources said Monday. They said Klibi, while in Madrid, will meet King Juan Carlos, Premier Adolfo Suarez and Foreign Minister Jose Pedro Perezilorca.

BEIRUT, (AP) - A French diplomat, driving down a Beirut: street in : brnad daylight, was stopped by "bandits" who detained him for two bours and stole his car, a French embassy spokesman said Monday. The spok-.sman said Jacques Main, a counselor at the embassy, was not burt in the incident last Saturday morning. The spokesman denied a

BAGHDAD, (AFP) - A Japanese Islamic conference delegation had a meeting bere Monday with Tayeh Abdul Karim, Iraqi oil minister and member of the revolutionary council. They discussed ways of consolidating the friendly relations between the two countries and the scope for increased bilateral cooperation.

BEIRUT. (AFP) - Lebanese rightist militia controlling the Israeli frontier strip in south Lebanon Monday shelled Lebanese village of Hasbaya at the easternmost end of the strip, according to reports reaching bere.



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Warwick withdraws **le shocks** Dibley

DE, Jao. 6 (AFP) - Dale Cola shock 7-5, 6-2 victory over led Colin Dibley in the South Opeo Tuesday. 25, from Queeosland, had a bad

as and also failed to qualify for the J Wales and Australian Open. rewett began brilliantly against

Rick Fisher, but later was affected ich bad weakened him for several wett won 6-4, 7-5.

ullikson saved six match points in d set before defeating Australian her 3-6, 7-6, 6-4 Monday.

was dominant with each dropping . Guiliksoo, the number three seed, leaded for his third successive first sin Australia in the tie-breaker secbut Letcher squandered opporallow the American to hang on and i win it 14-12.

Chastooe shocked fellow Australian v seed, Geoff Masters 6-2, 6-2.

.n Open finalist Kim Warwick has a from the South Australian Open. was hampered by a shoulder injury stralian final against Brian Teacher. laying the doubles final he had an Warwick was the top seed.

.hile, in Auckland, New Zealander psoo caused the first upset of the Volvo Grand Prix when he elimicood-seeded Rod Frawley 6-3, 6-4 in ouod singles match.

'0-year-old Aucklander required only tes to topple the Australian Davis er who holds a ranking of 43 in the mpson, himself a former Davis Cup stative, won through qualifying to ne main tournameot draw. sed service breaks io the second and

mes to win the 29-minute first set. ; opened the second set with a first

st Germany tops

RIS. Jan. 6 (AFP) - The weckly azine France Football has chosen West many as the best European football team 980

1 compiling a standings of teams, France thall included the 105 official matches of seasoo, among them 17 for the European joos Tournament, three for World Cup imations, six for the British Champion-), one for the Mundialito and 98 friend-

Vest Germany, 1980 European champion l unbeaten last seasoo, came out first. The top 15 teams were ; 1. West Germany, Belgium, 3. USSR, 4, Italy, 5. East Gerny, 6. England., 7. Yugoslavia, 8. Wales, Poland, Czechoslovakia, 11, France, 12. land, Northern Ireland, 14. Rumania, 15, ain. Netherlands.

MANILA, (AFP) - The Philippines is ing against time to construct a multiillion dollar sports complex, primed to be sutheast Asia's best, for the southeast Asian ames bere in December this year. The forts complex, whose centerpiece is a ick-tootball stadium that can seat 70.000 ill replace the old Rizal Memorial Stadia bere the second Asian Games were staged 1975.

game break of Frawley's service and never looked back. Frawley later withdrew from the tournament doubles competition with a pulled muscle in his on-serving arm.

Top-seeded American Bill Scanlon was stretched to the limit as well, but he managed a 5-7, 6-3, 7-5 victory over tall Australian right haoder Steve Docherty.

Neither player performed up to his poten-tial in the two hours six minutes struggle, with both spoiling winning chances. Scanlon finally broke Docherty's serve for the match in the 12th game of the third set.

Third-seeded Russell Simpson (NZ), younger brother of Jeff, had oo trouble beating 1979 junior Wimbledon runner-up David Siegler 6-4, 6-3.

Siegler, number one junior in Southern California, could not handle Simpson's accurate passing shots when he came to the net to attack.

American Bill Mafin, number one ranked junior in the world in 1975: confirmed his seventh seeding of the tournameot with a comfortable 6-4, 6-4 win over Australian Alvio Gardiner.

In other first round games, Mike Estep (USA) beat fellow countryman Glen Petrovie 6-2, 6-3 and American Tony Graham lost only five games on the way to a straight sets decisioo over 18-year-old Kiwi Bruce Derlin 6-1, 6-4.

Three-times finalist Tim Gullikson was taken to three sets before beating McLain, The 21-year-old American left-hander lost his first set to fellow countryman at 2-6. before finally clinchiog the match in the next two sets 6-2, 6-4.

Gullikson, winner of the tournament two years ago and losing finalist to American John Sadri last January, played well below his 96 world ranking.

The North Carolinan served erratically. Had not McCain been obviously hampered by a sore right knee, the match could easily have swung the other way.

Fifth seed Gullikson was oot the only seed to be stretched to a three setter, sixth-seeded Onny Parun (New Zealand), four times winner of this event, needed 95 minutes to climinate young Australian Greg Whitecross 6-2, 2-6, 6-2

Parun, now 33-year-old and nearing the end of 21 years as a professional. relied beavily on that experience to come back from a service break down in the third set to win through to the second round.

Fourth-seeded American Ferdi Taygan looked comfortable in beating in Australian Peter Campbell 6-2, 6-2 in 70 minutes. Taygan's hard hit ground strokes may well he blew a two break advantage.

put him io contection for Sunday's final. American Chris Imayone, the eighth seed, beat Californian Lloyd Bourne 7-5, 6-1 after some anxious moments in the first set when

Briefs

CANADA, (AP) - Canadian heavyweight champion Trevor Berbick of Halifax will fight Larry Holmes of the United States for his world Boxing Council Championship. ATV news quoted Toronto promoter Irv Ungerman as saying Monday.

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GET SET, GO: The New York City marathon was set off with a partially inflated balloon. The New York Road Ranners Chab, sponsors of the event, have banned the use of the starter's pistol in protest against handgun violence.

Claudio Marangoni leaves Sunderland, returns home

LONDON, Jan. 6 (AFP) - Sunderland have parted company with Argeotine Claudio Marangom, their record signing who bas made only 19 league appearnces io 13 months.

The 26-year-old midfield player is returning to South America with 2.5 years of his cootract still to run. Manager Ken Knightoo said: "Claudio came to see me a few weeks ago and said he was disappointed at playing in the reserves. "I talked it over with the chair-

man and be decided it best for all concerned if Claudio returned to South America. There is still a substantial amount outstanding, as payments were spread over 3.5 years, but there is a clause in the cootract which enables us to send him back.

Marangoni cost Sunderland, £ 320,000 in December 1979 when he signed from San Lorenzo, but has played only three first divisioo games this seasoo. Meanwhile, Malcolm Allison is staying oo

to manage struggling English first division side Crystal Palace; but not on the long-term contract he had hoped for.

Allisoo, who said after Saturday's English Cup third round defeat at Manchester City, that be was looking for a five or even ten ears agreement, met chairman Ray Bloye in London Monday.

The upshot is that Allison remains in charge at Selhurst Park on a day-to-day basis and that his position will be reviewed at the end of the season.

Alberto to miss crucial match

MONTEVIDEO, Jan. 6 (AFP) - Argentina will be able to field top attacker Diego Maradona if they qualify to play Uruguay in the "Mini World Cup Football final bere on Saturday.

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The World Cap holders heard that their prize asset might be suspended following incident between opposing players immedi-ately after their match with Brazil.

It was suggested in football circles bere that Australian referee had singledrout Maradona and Alberto Tarantini of Argentina and Brazilian Palo Isidoro as being responsible for the flare-up.

The International Football Federation, however, said they had received a full report on what took place from the referee, but no names had been mentioned.

Brazil's goalkeeper Carlos Alberto is certain to miss the crucial West Germany match after injuring his left shoulder in the game against Argentine. Alberto was forced to leave the field after dividing at the feet or Daniel Valencia and was replaced by Leite.

Italy face the Netherlands, Tuesday. With little to lose, Dutch manager Jan Zwartkruis will have his mind on shaping a team still able to qualify for the World Cup finals in Spain.

The Netherlands, losing finalists in 1974 and 1978, started the current campaign disastrously, losing 2-1 to Ireland and 1-0 to Belgium. Italy's Enzo Bearzot, for a different reason, will also change his lineup.

Bearzot told newsmen: "The referee has forced me to experiment, referring to the expulsion during Saturday's match against Uruguay of two Italian players, who are barred from the game against the Dutch. Aotonio Cabrini was seot off with

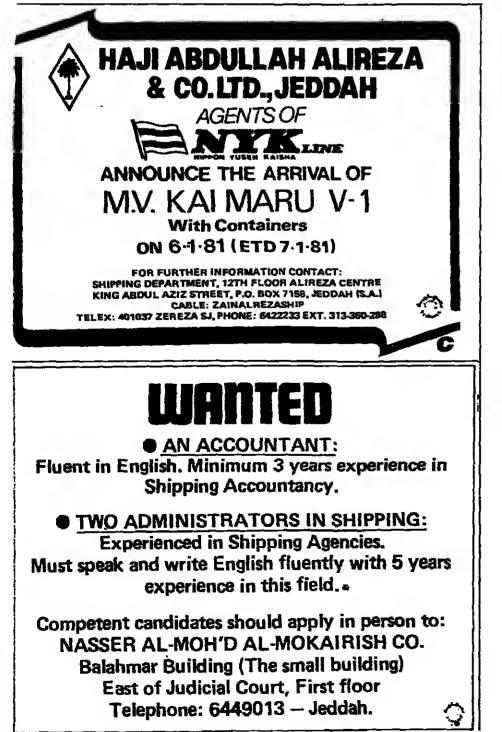
Uruguayan Jose Moreira for fighting and Marco Tardelli was shown the red card shortly before the eod for a rough tackle. Bearzot said he would probably replace his banned players by Giuseppe Baresi and Carlo Ancelotti.

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LONDON, (AFP) - David Cooke, the ond Australian-born Harlequins player, as been chosen to make his England debut, gainst Wales in Cardiff on January 17. look, 25, is the only new cap in a team that icludes 13 of the side that won the grand lam last season for the first time in 23 years.

COPENHAGEN, (AFP) --- Denmark failed to produce a finalist in the singles competitions at the Copenhagen Cup Badminton tournament here Mooday night despite the fact that they had a competitor in all four semi-finals. In the men's event Fleming Delfs and Morten Frots went out to Indonesians Hadiyanto and Luis Pongob and in the women's semi-finals British players Jan Webster and Gillian Gilks crushed home opponents Susanoe Ejlersen and Rikke Soercnsen.





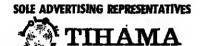
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GREECE'S EEC TEST

From the beginning of this year, Greece has become the 10th member of the European Economic Community. The country's road toward this further integration with Western Europe has

By Michael Adams

Nnne of the problems claiming the attention of the new administration in Washington is more urgent than the problem of the Middle East. None has a more immediate bearing on the security of the United States and of its allies in the rest of the world. It is generally agreed, moreover, that the key to the problem is in the hands of the United States. So the world will be watching with keen interest to see whether Reagan and his associates will prove more successful than their predecessors in promoting a settlement which is acceptable to the contestants in the Middle East and which can secure the stability of a region so vital to the rest of the world. Speculation based nn the campaign promises of Governor Reagan gives little cause for optimism. His lack of experience of foreign affairs in general and the Middle East in particular, together with the pressures always at work on any candidate for high office in the United States, led him to give assurances and undertakings to the supporters of Israel which, if he tried to fulfil them, would put an Arab-Israeli settlement further out of reach than

Nor is it safe to assume, with the cynicism which the workings of the American political scene do so much to encourage and justify, that these undertakings were merely given in order to win votes and will be quietly shelved now that their purpose has been achieved. The statements Reagan has made since his election show no sign of a change of heart, while among those he has chosen as his political advisers there are several who are conspicuous for the unfailing support they have given in the past to successivegovernments in Israel.

There is, hnwever, one factor which suggests that the Reagan administration might take a different and a more robust approach to the Middle East than the one which led President Carter into such a quagmire of indecision. Reagan clearly represents a particular brand of American conservatism, a conservatism based on certain clear-cut, uncomplicated and deeply held convictions about the way to run an efficient outfit, whether the outfit happens to be a corporation nr a state or the government of the

United States of America.

And if he approaches the task of government in that spirit it seems likely that Reagan will put before the American people a clearer conception of what he believes to be the national interest than Carter ever succeeded in dning, and that he will be less patient than Carter with any ne who abstructs him in pursuing it.

All this has a direct bearing on the future of American policy in the Middle East. For in so far as Carter could be said in have a policy fur resolving the Arab-Israeli dispute, it was Israel's Begin who prevented him from carrying it out. If Carter said there ought to be a humeland for the Palestinians, Begin made him eat his words. If Carter said he had reached an agreement with Begin and that there were to be no more Jewish settlements in the occupied West Bank, Begin swiftly - and none too politely - disabused him. And when Carter took his courage in both hands and told the American delegate to vote for a Security Council resolution condemning Israel, it took only 48 hours for Begin tn farce him to change his mind - and to make him look to the world like an incompetent fool.

This was embarrassing for Carter - but it was also galling for many Americans who resented seeing their country and its elected leader so rudely defied. During the last year of the Carter administratinn, many of them also saw that American policy in the Middle East was not achieving its declared objectives but that, on the contrary, it was encouraging Israel to maintain an attitude which put American interests at risk.

.. In a recently published paper on American interests in the Middle East (Middle East Institute, Washington), Dr. Seth Tillman has addressed himself to the question of what those interests are and how they might best be attained. The United States, says Tillman, has four fundamental interests in the Middle East, which he identifies as: 1. reliable access, at tolerable prices, to oil from the Arabian peninsula;

4. the fulfillment of certain principles, such as the peaceful settlement of disputes, the inadmissibility of the acquisitinn of territory by force, and the right of peoples to self-determination.

In trying to shape a policy based on these national interests, successive presidents of the United States (Tillman points out) have run into opposition from the pro-Israel lobby and have been compelled to make what he calls "a difficult choice, between adopting policies weighted on the side of Israeli wishes at the expense of ather national interests and attempting to frame policies based on the totality of American interests, with resulting controversy and political risk to themselves."

Despite the inhibiting effect of these pressures, Tillman says that behind all the arguments and recriminations a quiet consensus has emerged among moderates in the Arab world, the United States and Europe. "with some minority support in Israel as well," about the essentials for a peace settlement. These he identifies as:

1. Israeli withdrawal to the 1967 borders; 2. Palestinian self-determination, in exchange

for explicit recognition of Israel's right to exist; 3. Some form of Arab sovereignty over the holy places in Jerusalem;

4. demilitarized zones around Israel's borders. with international protection and guaratnees.

He places particular emphasis on two of these basic requirements: Palestinian self-determination and international guarantees. Israel, he says, is too small and too dependent on outside aid to be able indefinitely to hold down an unwilling Palestinian population; it cannot escape the fact that "its future is in coming to terms with its rival claimant to the Holy Land, in accepting the legitimacy of Palestimian nationalism." Recalling that Ben Gurion in 1971 urged a return to the 1967 borders, Tillman quotes the former Israeli prime minister's dictum that "Real peace with our Arab neighbors --mutual trust and friendship -- that is the only true security". And he emphasizes that in addition to categorical assurances and undertakings from the Arabs, the whole agreement should be safeguarded by "a solid, explicit system of international guarantees ... including, if Israel so desires, a bilateral treaty between Israel and the United States guaran-teeing Israel's independence and territory."

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For the government of the United States, Tillman observes."the problem is ant what to do but bow to do it." Since a consensus already exists about the requirements for a settlement, and since the United States clearly possesses the influence to bring it about, the United States should not shrink if necessary from imposing a settlement which is in Israel's own best interests as well as satisfying the legitimate demands of the Palestinians - and which will at the same time achieve those fundamental objectives of American policy which Tillman took as his starting point.

Previous American administrations, he remarks, have refused to do this or to use the leverage which they could exert to obtain Israeli compliance, not because of any moral scruples but" because American office holders, fearing political reprisal, have acquiesced in the prohibition". And he points out that the result of America's unwillingness to use its influence to impose a just settlement is that Israel has so far been able to impose an unjust one, based on Israeli military preponderance and the denial of Palestinian self-determination.

Past American efforts to achieve a settlement in the Middle East which would advance American interests as well as reconciling those of the parties to . the dispute have failed, Tillman concludes, because the pro-Israel lobby has been powerful enough to frustrate the m in the domestic political arena in the United States. To overcome this obstacle, he says, will require "a sustained, purposeful campaign hy. the president and any other elected leaders whn might care to step forward to educate the American people in the realities of the Middle East, the nature in interests in the reof these interests to each other, and the necessity of a policy that harmonizes these so far as possible." This is the challenge facing the new administration in the United States. Is Reagan the man to grapple with it and to succeed where Carter and others so signally failed? Much will depend on the

been long and arduous. One of the major obstacles in its way, the absence of democracy when the country was run by the military, ended only to give rise to another, the country's alienation from NATO following the crisis in Cyprus. Now at last, and before both Portugal and Spain, which are awaiting their turn to join, Greece takes its place both in the EEC and as full member of NATO.

Greece's first few years in the EEC are expected to be difficult. The country's economy, relatively underdeveloped, will be severely strained, and its population will have to adjust to new conditions and restrictions. Yet this is a test Greece found it had to undergo, if its situation in Europe was not to remain marginal. The other alternatives were either for it to struggle alone and under increasingly mounting odds, or to turn East for help: But both of these were out of the question.

Greece's entry into the Common Market as a full member will, incidentally, have special significance for the Arab world. The country never recognized Israel, despite all the pressures on it to do so. It is therefore expected to join that side within the EEC which has been pushing for a more equitable and resolute approach on the question of Palestine.

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Solution to Northern Ireland problem still far off

By Barry White

BELFAST, Northern Ireland -Now that the hunger strike at Maze prison has been called off, with both the strikers and the Britisb government claiming victory, the spotlight switches to the political scene, where there is more movement than has been seen for many years.

It is not that the rival parties inside Northern Ireland are any better disposed to one another. The British staged a series of talks earlier last year on the possibility of re-establishing a provincial assembly, but the main Protestant Party, the Official Unionists, did not bother to turn up and the attempt was finally abandanced. The difference to day is that the Britisb are participating themselves, without belp from Northern Ireland politicians, and have brought the government of the Irish Republic into the picture.

This became clear following a high-powered summit meeting in Dublin, Ireland earlier last mnnth, when British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Irish Premier Charles Haughey, agreed to set up joint studies of various aspects of Anglo-Irish relations, intended to explore "the

tntality of relationships" between the two states. Neither has been willing to spell out the precise meaning, but hints have been dropped of an Anglo-Irish friendship treaty, with institutions to improve North-South cooperation in Ireland. Mrs. Thatcher explained away the presence of Lord Carrington, the foreign secretary, and Sir Geoffrey Howe, the chancellor of exchequer, in her party as consistent with any meeting between heads of government of two member states of the European Community, but politicians in London and Belfast were unimpressed. The two men are her closest advisers in the cabinet and Carrington, who extricated Britain from Zimbabwe, is known to be eager to add Ireland to his list of battle bonors.

The final communique was a model of diplomatic nbscurity, providing both government heads with sumething to boast about. Mrs. Thatcher received Haughey's tacit support for her hard-line attitude to the bunger strike and Nnrth-South security cooperation, while the Irishman notained a formal recogmiting that Dublin had an important role to play in any solution to the Nnrthem Ireland problem. This was acknowledged in negntiations leading to the establishment of the short-lived power-sharing executive in Ulster in 1974. But since then the so-called "Irish dimension" has been on ice, because of Protestant hostility. Now, without any prior consultation, Britain has agreed to joint studies at ministerial level, and Uniopists are understandably worried.

While Mrs. Thatcher argues that she was dealing with Haughey as prime minister of the United Kingdom, including Northern Ireland, and is interested in institutional, not constitutional change, Haughey made no secret of his view that "everything is on the table." Both sides apparently are prepared to agree to disagree on this score, leaving Haughey free to claim a political victory that may help him win the election expected next year, despite economic disasters. Meanwhile the shock waves of the Dublin summit are still sweeping Ulster politics, and Catholic Nationalists are as pleased as Protestant Unionists are displeased. The plan for continued consultation between the two governments closely resembles the policy of the mainly Catholic Social Democratic and Labor Party not surprising, as its leader, John Hume advises the Irish premier nn northern affairs - and this has increased Protestant fears of a "sellout" by Britain. But Mrs. Thatcher, unlike previous prime ministers, may not be so easily intimidated by angry Protestant politicians, and all signs are that she is determined to open up the Irish question to wider discussion. Her difficulty will come if and when she attempts to impose any new institutional links between North and South, against Protestant opposition. British governments have always insisted on democratic decisions on Ulster, requiring majority consent, and there is nothing to suggest that the Protestants are any better disposed toward links with the republic in the South.

This is where the best-laid plans of Dublin and London may eventually come to grief, but nbservers believe that in the meantime Britain will try to persuade northern Protestants that their best interests may lie in a closer relationship with the republic. Despite official denials, there is little doubt that most British politicians would be glad to he rid of the Ulster millstone currently costing \$2.5 billion in support grants, if they could see an honorable way of doing so. Their problem is that they are faced with a two-third majority which desires closer integration, not cessation of hostilities, and has the capacity, through its own paramilitary forces, to wage a destructive civil war. In these circumstances the British cannot leave without being asked by both sides and leaving a relatively peaceful country behind.

The situation is complicated by the fact that both parts of Ireland are victims of the world recession and are even less capable of contemplating any change for the worse in their economic circums tances. Northern Ireland needs vast sums of British money to keep unemployment down to 16 per cent and the republic, without Britain's oil, has enough

problems of its own without taking on a pro-northern neighbor. Ironically, membership in the Common Market has helped to drive Northern Ireland and the republic apart, since the Irish punt, once level with the pound sterling is now worth 20 per cent less.

Clearly there are no easy or early solutions to the problem, however much the British and Irish governments may agree on the most desirable outcome. There is strong support in the British Foreign Office for a federal system within the island of Ireland, with two virtually antonomous states and only a few areas of common interest. Alternatively, others would like to see recognition of the special relationship between Britain and Ireland in an Anglo-Irish partnership, similar to the Franco-German alliance which has helped to bury old enmities. But if the governments continue on their present course - and Thatcher has moved a long way in 18 months --- relationships between the two islands, and between North and South, must change. The Protestants have one guarantee, which they cling to: that they can maintain the British link so long as a majority want it. But they cannot stop the sovercign power changing the nature of the link and that is what Thatcher is embarked upon, in the hope that it might change Protestant attitude in the long term.

Meanwhile, the Provisional IRA, which has always proved itself capable of wrecking any British initiative in Northern Ireland, is at its lowest ebb, following the hunger strike. It remains to be seen if the prisoners will wear prison-issued civilian dothes, or do prison work, for the brief period demanded by the government, but the fact remains that the seven strikers gave in without being granted "political" status, making them different from other convicts. The H-Block Campaign, so named because of the plan of the prison blocks, failed to win the hearts and minds of the Catholic community, hecause it was linked to violence.

Northern Ireland is at another watershed in its 60-year history, from which it can either move slowly forward or slide rapidly downhill. The pessimists are almost always right, in such a deeply divided community, but much further ahead there is reason to hope that, as one author has put it, the situation may change sufficiently to make talk of solutions realistic. --- (LAT)

Letters to the editor

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Arabian Saudi Press Review

A majnrity of newspapers Tuesday led with a report nn the rain-seeking prayer performed hy King Khaled and Muslims of the Kingdom Monday. Okaz used its headline story to cover the weekly meeting of the Cnuncil of Ministers, which was held Monday under the chairmanship of Crown Prince Fahd th review the current political situation. The celebrations held in Riyadh Monday on the 16th anniversary of the Palestinian revolution figured prominently in Al Jazirah 's lead story. Governor of Riyadh Prince Salman, whn patronized the function, said that the Popular Committee for the Welfare of the families of Palestinian freedom-fighters and martyrs would be renamed as the Popular Committee for the assistance of Palestinian Freedom-Fighters, in view of the changed circumstances and in response to the wishes of the people of Saudi Arabia and Palestine. In a lead story, Al Riyadh gave prominence to a message King Khaled has received from Sheikh Zayed ibn Sultan Al Nahyan, president of the United Arab Emirates.

Al Jazirah gave front-page coverage to Britisb Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington's remark that the European Middle East initiative does not aim th complement the idea of so-called autonomy for the Palestinian people. In a page one story, Al Yom reported a wave of popular and official resentment gripping Egypt for its non-participation in the upcoming Islamic summit conference. Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal's shuttle to Kuwait with King Khaled's message to the Ruler of Kuwait found front-page coverage in Okaz, while Al Medina high-

lighted Kabul's reported agreement to negatiate with Pakistan and Iran fnr the solution nf regional problems.

Newspaper editorials concentrated on the Palestinian revolution and its confrontation with the Zionist enemy. Snme also discussed the Afghanistan crisis and the forthcoming Islamie summit conference in Mecca. Okaz noted that the Palestinian revolution, with all the support that it enjoys from Arab, Islamic and other countries of the wodd, bear major responsibilities toward the liberation of Palestine. As an entity, the Palestinian revolution expresses the will and determination of the people of Palestine to restore their legitimate rights to sovereignty, the paper said, adding that the realization of this aim would necessitate further positive action at political and military levels.

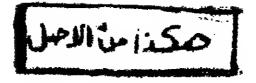
Discussing the situation in Afghanistan, Al Medina expressed the conviction that restoration of peace in that Islamic country would remain a dream unless Soviet occupation forces withdraw unconditionally and give the people of Afghanistan the right to selfdetermination. The paper noted that the people of Afghanistan have already shown they are capable of rejecting Soviet occupation. It added that Afghans would continue to resist the invading forces and the treacherous elements in the country who allowed freedom of movement to Soviet forces and weaponry in Afghanistan.

In an editorial on the Islamic summit, Al Yom said it would provide an opportunity for Muslims to cast a

new glance at the future and the problems that have piled up before the Islamic world. The paper urged Muslim leaders in embark on a new course that would belp them in tackling their problems and issues in a solid and effective manner. The paper conceded it would not be difficult to find solutions provided everyone exerts banest efforts in the achievement of the desired goals. It described the conference as "historic" since it would consider all Islamic problems and would work to find their solutions. It would be considered the higgest Islamic congregation if it succeeds in adopting resolutions in conformity with the gravity of their prohlems, the paper added.

On the same subject, Al Jacirah unted that the idea of boly war would be taken into consideration in resolutions of the conference, which also would determine joint action to liberate Jerusalem and th restore that legitimate rights of Arabs and Muslims everywhere. The call for the holy war would include action at military, political, diplomatic, economic, cultural and propaganda levels and world public opinion would have to be moulded in favor of Arab and Islamic rights.

A! Riyadh also gave prominence to the significance of the Islamic summit and expected outcome of its deliberations. The importance of the conference lies in the fact that a complete preparation has been made to find solution to all the issues now bedevilling the Arab and Islamic wodd. The paper referred to the efforts of the Arab Reconciliation Committee and said that it has made satisfactory progress in its goodwill mission.

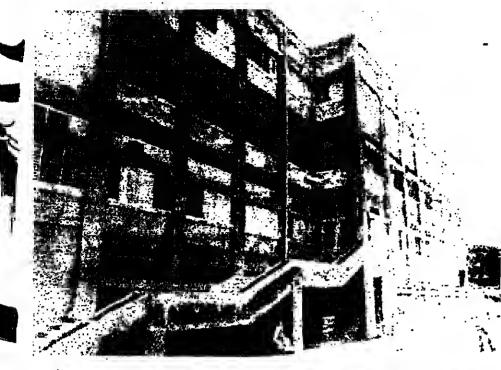


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Islamic Solidarity Fund:

Real symbol of Muslim cooperation



By Raana Siddiqi

JEDDAH - One of the principal institutions developed for ensuring the cultural, social and general solidarity of the Islamic world under the auspices of the Organization of the Islamic Conference is the Islamic Solidarity Fund. The ISF has been engaged in extending help and assistance to member states and Muslim communities the world over in their social, cultural and educational progress and for the propagation of the Dawah, since its establishment six years ago.

The Second Islamic Summit beld in Lahore. Pakistan, in 1974 took a number of important decisions to give direction to the cultural, social and economic activines of the OIC. Thus the ISF was created to give practical shape to the concept of Islamic solidarity which is the very basis and main goal of the Islamic Conference.

Since its establishment, the fund has been engaged in financing diverse activities covering broad fields. It has emerged today as one of the major agencies to consolidate the rich cultural heritage of the Islamic countries, Muslim communities and Muslim minorities globally. It is also looked upon for support and sustenance by various Islamic associations, organizations and societies functioning in a number of countries across five conti-

nents. The objectives of the ISF as defined at the

Labore Summit include Islamic unity affairs. Islamic issues, and rendering support to Islamic cultural values and educational institutions. The fund's activities are regulated by its articles of association which were agreed upon at the fifth Islamic foreign ministers conference held in Kuala Lumpur in July 1974.

The ISF is an autonomous body working in close cooperation with the General Secretariat of the OIC. Its headquarters is also located in the premises of the General Sec-

The activities of the fund are supervised hy a permanent council elected every two years hy the foreign ministers. Present members serving on the permanent council are Saudi Arabia, UAE, Kuwait, Libya, Iraq, Sudan, Tunisia, Mauritania, Djibouti, Comoro Islands, Pakistan, Turkey and Malaysia, The council elects a chairman and a vice chairman and meets periodically or at the urgent request of a memher.

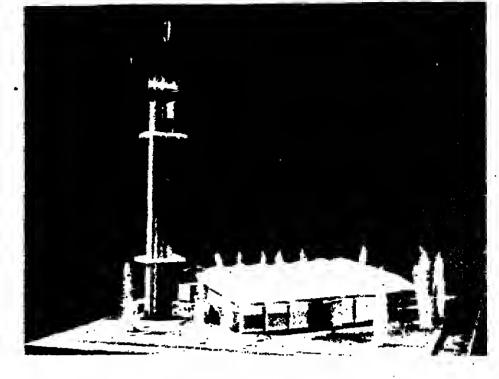
Because of its hroad area of activity and the diverse responsibilities assigned to it, the ISF has set up a number of committees to deal with various requests for financial assistance and to follow up the progress of projects financed hy it. The main committees are the emergency committee, the follow-up committee and the subsidiary committee.

The fund works in close cooperation with a number of Islamic associations and humanitarian and philanthropic agencies. It has developed a program of cooperation with several international organizations such as the ILO research center and UNESCO. It also invites observers and famous international personalities working in its field to its meetings.

The budget of the ISF is made up of contributions and donations from member states, organizations and individuals. The Kingdom has been one of the leading contributors to the fund and has served, like some other major donors, on all the permanent councils elected so far. The budget is utilized under several heads such as support to mosques, schools and hospitals; propagating Islamic Dawah and help Islamic centers; scientific research and Islamie universities; organizing symposiums and seminars, etc. The fund is also contributing to finance the program drawn up by Muslim states to mark the advent of the 15th century Hijra,

In recent years, the ISF has given great importance to Palestine and assited in efforts to combat the Judaization of Holy Jerusalem. Other activities have involved prompt assistance both in cash and kind at times of calamities such as the earthquakes in Turkey and Algeria, drought in African countries and relief to the war-stricken people in Lebanon, Somalia, Chad and Palestine. It has also assisted Muslim minorities in times of crisis in the Philippines, Burma and Ethiopia. Its contribution to the Afghan refugees in Pakistan has also been generous.

... The activities of the ISF in spreading the awah deserve merit as well. This program



MOSQUE at the University of Khartoum

Record auction price \$5.2m for Da Vinci notes

By Leonard Downie Jr.

LONDON (WP) - American millionaire industrialist and art collector Armand Hammer recently bought the last privately owned handwritten notebook of Leonardo Da Vinci for \$5.2 million, a record auction price for a manuscript or book.

"There's no work of art in the world I wanted more than this," said Hammer, the 82-year-old chairman of Occidental Petroleum, who bid personally with raised finger from the front row of the crowded main auction room of Christies here, Hammer said he had been prepared to pay much more for the 470-year-old collection of handwritten and illustrated notes by Da Vinci on his scientific studies.

Hammer's winning bid was far less than expected hy Christies or by the seller of the Da Vinci notebook, Vicount Coke, descendant of Thomas Coke, the first Earl of Leicester, who had bought the notebook while traveling in Italy in 1717. Coke sold the manuscript to raise money for death taxes on his family's estate, mansion and art treasures at Holkham Hall in Norfolk in eastern England.

The potential price for the Da Vinci manuscript, known as the Leicester Dodex, had been widly inflated in advance speculation by the press here and in New York amid a continuing upward spiral in art values, intense competition among major anction houses for new records and worry among British art

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estimate of the manuscript's value. But the auction house did little to actively discourage press speculation that it could sell for \$10 million or even \$20 million.

Hammer promised to display the manuscript in the royal academy of art here. He then wants to send it around the world for exhibition before finally putting it in the Los Angeles gallery of art.

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But to take the manuscript out of Britain, Hammer will need an export license. It could be refused by the British government in an attempt to give one of Britain's national collections time to match hammer's bid. British officials refused to disclose Friday what they might do.

"I am a great admirer of Leonardo Da Vinci," Hammer told reporters afterward, "I have one of his original two-sided drawings, and this will make a fitting addition to my collection,'

Noting that the 36 pages of notes and drawings were never intended by Da Vinci to be compiled in a single book, Hammer said he would separate and mount them individually between glass so that both expert scholars and ordinary museum-goers could closely scrutinize the nearly illegible, backward "mirror" writing in brown ink and 360 marginal drawings that fill both sides of each folio.

. The notes and illustrations were pulled together by Da Vinci from other notebooks in the early 1500s when he was in his fifties. They summarize his observations, conclusions and theories on a range of physical

phenomena, with water a predominant

MEDICAL AID: Facet of the western wing of the Islamic charitable society's hospital in Jerusalem, built with assistance from the ISF.

oviet writer feels at home in

By Robert Kaiser

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For 20 years, Vassily Aksyonov was a liter-ary hero in the Soviet Union, read by millions of his countrymen. He wrote long stories about young people in love and several novels, including one abont his youth as a medical doctor. He also wrote "for the drawer," as Russians put it -- such as the novel The Burn, which he knew would never be officially approved by the Soviet Union. Last year Aksyonov ran out of patience with the system, and he decided to challenge it. He helped organize Metropul, an almanae of new prose and poetry that contained none

of the uplifting spirit of socialism on the march favored by the censors - instead, it contained satire, explicit sex and gloomy ruminations. The writers proposed to the authorities

55 10 22 that it be published in the Soviet Union, but · that he the anthorities demurred. Metropol's only One he edition made its way abroad, was quickly he deal published in Russian and will eventually appear in many languages, including English. "Clience

In Moscow, the authorities moved swiftly Ang against those it deemed responsible for the ie partie almanac. Almost overnight, Aksyonov was cs. bez officially transformed into a non-writer. His coougi books disappeared from libraries. (There UCCOUNT. were none to remove from bookstores, since anything he wrote sold out in a matter of le, be s maig hours:) A film whose screenplay he had writ-

almost obliterated by a truck. Finally, he decided he would have to leave. Because of his fame and popularity, the authorities chose to make this relatively easy. He and his wife, Maya, and her children were

permitted to go to July. Though less well known in the West, Aksyonov, 48, was much more famous in Russia than ballet dancers Baryshnikov or Makarova, For several generations of enthusiastic young readers, his stories and novels were among the only examples of officially approved Soviet literature that said something real and touching. His voluntary exile is yet another blow to Russian selfesteem, another reminder that Lenin's workers' paradise is not a paradise for all.

The situation for smiles now in the Soviet Union is bad," Aksyonov said, his own engaging, ironie grin hlazing from under his thick moustache. "People smile very rarely ... the mood is very bad. In recent years the mood really has gotten worse."

The departures of famous artists make people heartsick, Aksyonov said. "They say, Why are we such an unhappy people that so much talent is leaving us? We work all our lives, it's hard ... we try to create a better society, we hope for something better, but nothing turns out right. People run away."

There are numerous stories about that last year in Moscow, the harassment and pain and ith the bureaucrat

American trying to answer remembers vaguely a Shelly Berman rourine about explaining baseball to a foreigner - it seems hopeless.

Aksyonov has every intention of figuring out baseball and football and a lot more about America, which is his new country. He'll live this fall in Ann Arbor, Mich., then next spring in Los Angeles. The Burn, one of those books he wrote for the drawer in Moscow, will be published here this winter by Houghton Mitflin. He is eager to begin new writting projects at once.

Aksyonov said, "it seems to Maya and me that here in America we are, well, not completely at home, but almost at home, as if we found ourselves amost in our native surroundings,"

are a lot alike ?

"No, No - they are completely different countries, with different bistories and different spirits. I can give you an example of the different psychologies. When you ask an American how are you, he always answers "fine," even if he's lousy. But a Russian even if everything is actually terrific, for (Communist) party, just earned some big money, just bought a car and a dacha and you ask him how are you, he'll say :

does it work ?" he wants to know. The

"After a month and a half in Europe."

Does this mean that Russia and America

example, he was just accepted into the

was yanked out of production. The KGB's grim minions began to follow him everywhere.

Months passed, and Aksyonov came to accept the necessity for his own departure from the USSR ... He had no future as a writer - perhaps no future at all, he thought, after one terrifying and inexplicable incident on a dark Russian highway when his car was-

addi run the union of writers. Aksyonov will tell these stories if asked, but really he is tired of them. Really he would rather talk about baseball.

"There's a pitcher, right ? he asks in Russian, sounding out "peetsh-er" in English (which he actually speaks quite well.) "And a catcher ? But who are all the others ? How

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got nothing to brag about." "I've often thought about these psycholog-

Ical differences. Another example : when an American encounters something new - in art, say, but not only in art - his first reaction is, why not? But the first reaction in our country is, why do we need it?. Why should it be like that, when there's already something else? Russians have a lot of wonderful qualities, but there is this conservatism in Russia. It's hard for us to loosen up." So why does Aksyonov feel at home in

America, where he has only spent a few months previously (as a visiting scholar in 1975) (

"You know, it's a strange feeling - hard to explain. Maybe hecause I know the country. Maybe because I love American literamre -I've loved American literature for many years, so perhaps the psychology here is more familiar. Maybe because I speak some Engl-ish. And of course, this is a nation of immigrants. I have the feeling that I can communicate here - I can reach people ... in America a foreigner can be quickly absorbed into the life of the country."

Will he try to write in English after a while?

"I won't be writing in English, at least not fiction. Mayhe I'll be able to write some articles or essays in English. Bot not fiction. Maybe I'll be able to use English. A writer like Nabokov — that's the ideal, but it's an unreachable ideal. (Vladimir Nabokov grew up with Russian parents and an English nanny and was bilingual always.) But it's a path I can follow without going into panie over the fact that I have been cut off from my own language."

In a legal sense there was nothing irrevocable about Aksyonov's decision to leave the Soviet Union. He retains a Soviet passport and theoretically could return at any time. In fact, though, Aksyonov says, he could only return if there were substantial changes inside his homeland, chances that are now difficult to foresee.

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includes sending missionaries to Africa and Asia, teaching Arabic and granting scholarships, and rendering help to Islamic institu-tions of higher learning. The fund is financing the establishment of two Islamic universities in Niger and Uganda.

The establishment of an Islamic teachers college in Chicago, USA, is one of the major projects the ISF has on hand. This institution will be the first of its kind to be set up in North America. Besides, the ISF is supporting in various forms some 30 Islamic centers, institutes and universities some of which are located in such diverse places as Yugoslavia and Korea.

Muslim youth guidance program, which is carried out in close cooperation of the Riyadh- based World Assembly of Muslim Youth (WAMY), is another area of attention. Under this program, the ISF has organized so far 10 youth camps in countries as far away as Latin America. Seminars on important social and educational subjects are also

organized. The fund has come to be recognized as one of the major achievements of the OIC and stands out as a real symbol of dose cooperation both among the Islamic states and the Muslim communities. However, the fund's budget, currently estimated to be about \$20 million, is not regarded adequate to undertake all the tasks. To augment the fund's capital and ensure it adequate and regular finances, a major step was recently taken by establishing a Waqf for the ISF.

The Waof fund will have a capital of \$100 million to be raised through donations from member states, individuals and Islamic associations. The Kingdom is understood to have already donated \$20 million and instimtions such as the Islamic Development Bank are also expected to chip in.

Thus in the years ahead, the Islamic Solidarity Fund can be expected to play an even greater role in Islamic activities and to aid in the overall development and progress of the Muslim people the world over.

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U.S. Democrats foil bid to cut spending

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6 (R) - A new S. Congress took office, but the Republiins trying to flex their political muscle lost e first battle on the ecooomy.

Trying to back up President-elect Ronald eagan's pledges to cut government spendg, the Republicans in the House of Repsectatives Monday sought to limit spending a maximum of 22.5 per cent of the gross tional product in the next year.

Government spending now runs at 23 per ot of GNP - the total of the natioo's goods id services. Reagan has vowed to slash the deral budget by two per cent io his fight ainst inflation.

But the Republicans lost in a 216-179 produral vote in the House, where they gained number of seats in the Nov. election, but

where the Democrats still have a majority. In the same vote, the Republicans also failed in a hid to increase their representation oo the House's Ways and Means Committee that originates all tax legislatioo.

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That is the panel that will have to deal with the tax cut expected to be the top priority of the Reagan administration.

Although the Democrats have a House majority of 243-192 — a ratio of about five to four - they cootrol the Ways and Means Committee by a majority of 23-12.

This two-to-ooe ratio is about the same as in the last Congress before the Democrats lost more than 30 seats.

In the Senate, the elections turned a 59-41 Democratie majority into a 53-47 Republican majority.

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officials added. The entire process of putting

a loan into action frequently takes several

Out of IFAD's 60 loans approved so far, 20

were authorized in late 1980 and of the

remaining \$40 worth \$626 million 35 have

started to become effective. IFAD says it is

speeding up its procedures, but adds that its

efficiency is comparable to that of other

agencies or governments starting to give

IFDA is now entering 1981 hoping that its

At an IFAD council meeting in December,

agreement wa reached that the fund should

use an extra \$1.5 hillion during 1981-83, but

The industrialized countries have always

said that the split should be 50-50, but

OPEC's cootributioo in the first 1977-80

period was 43 per ceot while the industrial-

ized countries paid 57 per cent. For the sec-

ond three years, the industrialized countries

insisted they would contribute only 51 per

cent, but OPEC balked at 49 per cent aod

seems likely to continue paying 43 per cent.

OPEC countries are expected to discuss their

contribution at a meeting in Vienna later this

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the industrialized and OPEC nations argued

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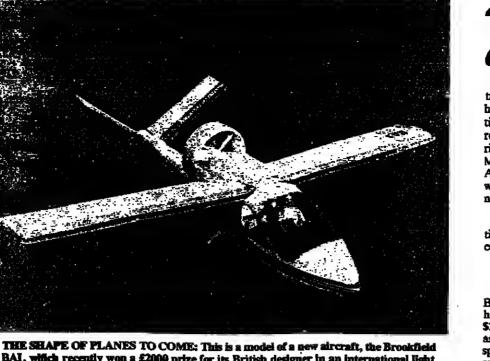
ROME, Jan. 6 (R) — The International und for Agricultural Development (IFAD) as allocated \$911 million in loans to help the oorest third world nadous to grow more ood, but has been able to hand out only \$44 uillion.

The Rome-hased IFAD began operations uree years ago with \$1 billion donated hy Vestern industrialized countries and Japan nd by the Organization of Petroleum xporting Countries (OPEC). It is oow startig a new three-year period with plans to lend further \$1.5 billion to help poor countries eed themselves.

But much of IFAD's money stuhhornly emains in the hank. "Dishursements are low." an AFAD official admits. "But it is a idiculous illusion to think that you can sudlenly start an irrigatioo scheme.

As explained by IFAD officials, there is at imes a delay of several months before loans dready approved here are ratified by the ecipient third world governments. "Then here has to be a counterpart budget allocaioo by the recipicot, they have to appoint a project manager and take on a certain number of people," an IFAD officials adds. fenders have to go out for contracts if the oan is for irrigation or other construction work and the contracts have to be adjudirated and signed.

Contractor are often paid by the third world governments and their bureaucrats



BAI, which recently won a £2000 prize for its British designer in an international light aircraft design competition launched by the Royal Aeronautical Society in London and sponsored by a group of British aviation organizations. Powered by a Rolls Royce Continental engine driving a ducted fan, the Brookfield will be a spacious two or four seat high wing, vee-tailed tractor aeroplane with a tricycle under carriage for the general light aviation market.

Wall Street Stock market bounces ahead as 2 banks lower prime rate

NEW YORK, Jan. 6 (R) - The Wall Street stock market has bounced ahead as two leading banks lowered their prime interest rates to 20 per cent and mooey-supply figures showed a sharp decline. Morgan Guaranty Trust, the fifth-largest U.S. bank, Monday reduced its prime rate to 20 per ceot from 21.5 per cent, uodercutting other major banks hy half a perceotage point.

The decline in the base rate on business loans from the record 21.5 per cent level hegan Dec. 23 with a cut to 20.5 per cent at Chase Manhattan and Wells Fargo Banks. The cuts spread slowly among major lenders, mostly regional banks, by the end of the year.

Last Friday, most of the nation's 10 biggest hanks cut their prime rates to 20.5 per cent from 21.5 per cent. The prime is the rates banks usually charge on loans to their most credit-worthy corporate customers,

Morgan Guaranty did not move until Monday, but announced an immediate reduction of 1.5 percentage points to 20 per ceot. Manufacturers Bank of Los Angeles also went to 20 per cent from its former 20.5.

Wall Street moved higher with the Dow-Jones average gaining 12 points after oew figures showed that U.S. money supply fell substantially in the latest week and a disclosure Friday that there has been a decline in New York husiness loans.

Analysts said the figures gave hope that the Federal Reserve Board (central hank) will not need to tighteo credit further to check money-supply growth in the short term. Loan demand from hig corporations remained strong in much of December, in part because they often can afford to pay higher rates than smaller companies, at least for a time, anal-



GENEVA, Jan. 6(R) - Twenty-six industrial nations and 19 developing countries have accepted one or more of the international agreements worked out in the "Tokyo round' talks here to reduce non-tariff barriers to world trade. This was announced Monday by the secretariat of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), which sponsored the 90-nation talks orginally launched in Tokyo.

The agreements covered customs valuation, government procurement, subsidies and countervailing duties, technical barriers to

WASHINGTON, (AFP) — A World Bank spokesman has implicitly denied that his organization had refused to grant India a \$250-million loan to set up a fertilizer plant, as some Indian newspapers had reported the spokesman said Monday that a loan had been

sanctioned, but had oever became effective. TOKYO, (AP) — Japan has agreed to provide Egypt with nine billion yen \$43 million in credits to be used for development of steelworks, agriculture and electricity, the foreign ministry here has announced. The credits will carry an annual interest rate of three per cent and are repayable in 30 years with payments to start after a 10-year grace period, the announcement Monday said.

WARSAW, (AP) - A recentlydiscovered oil deposit at Daszewo could be the largest in Poland, the Polish news agency Pap has said, quoting Piotr Karowski, assistant director of Poland's gas and oil exploratioo company. The oil deposit, found in December in the Baltie coastal regioo of western Pomperania, is sulphur-free and geologists were continuing to search for oil and gas deposits at much lower depths, Kar-

and gas octains and nowski Sunday said. MOSCOW, (AFP) — Oil cootaining large amounts of vanadium, which is used in the production of special steels, has been found on the east bank of the Caspian Sea, the Soviet Tass news agency has reported. The discovery is on an area of land known as the Buzachi peninsula. The rare find has receotly heen exploited for industrial purposes and experts are working on the technology necessary for separating the vanadium for use in the steel and engineering industries, the report said Sunday.

LONDON, (AP) - Unemployment in Britain will soar during this year, two surveys have predicted, London stockbrokers Philips

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trade, import licensing, and anti-dumping measures. GATT said all the Tokyo round agreements on oon-tariff trade barriers were oow in force. A customs valuation code and an agreement increasing international competition for government cootracts came into effect Jan. 1. GATT added that the Tokyo round

nations also made the second of the annual tariff cuts agreed in the orgotiations. Yearly reductions are to continue for another six years to reduce industrial nations' import tariffs by an average of one-third on manufactured goods.

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and Drew forecast Monday that unemployment could reach 2.75 million by mid-1981 and rise to three million by the end of this

ALGIERS, (AFP) - Indian Oil will this year purchase 500,000 tons of crude from Algerian Sonatrach. The deal will go some way to filling the supply gap left by the Iran and Iraq war.

DETROIT (AFP) - American automobile output last month rose for the first time in 19 months, the five companies raising production by 3.7 per cent to 471,233 units. The figure gave a 1980 total of 6,376,774, well down on the previous 8,341,152.

WASHINGTON, (AFP) - The U.S. Export-Import Bank Monday extended big loans to Japan and Sweden. All Nippon Airways Company Limited was granted a \$92,000,000 loan to finance the purchase of four Boeings valued at \$230 million. Another loan of \$11,300,000 went to the Svenska Vary to buy American equipment for three offshore jack-up drilling rigs, to be built by the Swedish governmental company.

NEW DELHI, (AFP) - Deposits of tongstun ore have been discovered at Sirohi in Rajasthan, and as a result India could become one of the world's top producers of tungsten, the Press Trust of India reported Monday

LONDON, (AFP) — The treasury department is re-examining the scope for a special tax oo "super profit" made by Britain's banks, The Financial Times reported Monday.

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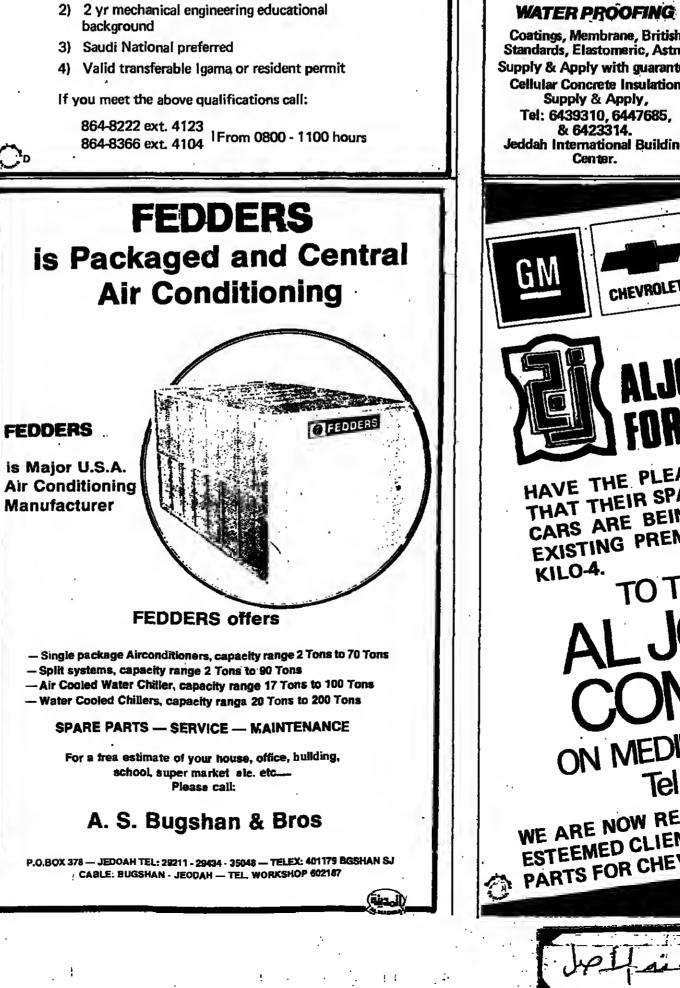
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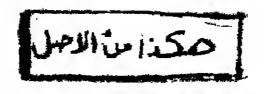
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Aoi, Obote agree roping round swere le and corg n economic links AIROBI, Jan. 6 (AP) - Kenya and

inda, one time economie partners whose 'ound adship was strained when former dictator 10ual Amin took power in Uganda, have early iged commercial and political cooperar sig

apon envan President Daneil Arap Moi and nan. ton Obote, elected Ugandan president a nth ago, conferred for two hours Monday Vebuye, a Kenyao town near the Ugandan der. A joint statement said they agreed to edite Uganda's exports through Kenya to. Indian Ocean, to curtial cattle-rustling

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anda owes to Kenya. l this (enya, Uganda and Tanzania formerly shared public services and economic policies in the East African Community, one of Africa's pioneer attempts at regional cooperauon. The Community broke up in 1477 as a result of differences between Amin and Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere, and between Socialist Tanzania and Kenya.

Obote, ousted by Amin in 1971, promised to repair relations with Kenya after he was restored to office. Uganda depends on Kenya for shipment of 95 per cent of its imports and EXDORN.

Obote said Monday \$1.7 million of a \$2.7 million Kenyan grant to Uganda would be used to buy goods in Kenya.

from Latest survey shows orue Irag **Jiscard to lose election** 'ARIS, Jan. 6 (R) - Valery Giscard

first staing would lose the French presidency iSing ni b socialist challenger Francois Mitterrand if 774 ctions were held now, according to a poll lisbed by the newspaper Le Quotidien de

ris. The survey showed 51 per cent of ench voters prepared to back Mitterrand in big Air run-uff vote against 49 per cent for the tgoing president. d : It was the first time in the run up to the

-C 0 o-round elections, on April 26 and May ther that Giscard d'Estaing has trailed in the iska ils. Opposioon poliocians and commen-Tee tors greeted the news cautiously. Just two onths ago, the president held an imposing i-point lead over Mitterrand, his most likely ponent in the second-round vote, and all e signs were that be was beading for easy

 clection. But then the political climate suddenly

changed. Mitterrand's campaign theme that Giscard d Estaing's autocranic behavior and the concentration of power in his hands made him virtually an uncrowned king was taken up by newspapers across the political spectrum. In early December came the government's first shock when the president's supporters failed to win a single seat in seven parliamentary hy-elections.

Shonly afterwards a poll showed 16 per cent of voters ready to back an earthy stage comic called Coluche, who announced he would stand for president oo behalf of all those who were sick of the nation's political establishment, By Christmas, Mitterand was trailing the president by only four points. Now comes the latest poll suggesting that 'Giscard can be beaten after all" in the words of Mitterrand aide Laurent Fabius.

Blindings in India

Court orders quick probe

NEW DELHI, Jan. 6 (R) - India's Supme Court has directed the government of re northern state of Bihar to speed up invesigations against police alleged to have delibrately blinded 31 prisoners awaiting trial. he court acting on a petition by some of the sinded men, gave the Bihar government fonday two weeks to submit all records elating to the affair, and to detail measures seing taken to rehabilitate the blinded men. Prime Minister Indira Gandhi last month

PANA to rectify news PARIS, Jan. 6(R) - The new Pan African lews Agency will have the task of correction rroneous reports about Africa transmitted y the international news media, PANA nanaging director Cheikh Ousmane Diallo

aid in an interview published Monday. Diallo told the Paris-based African Le Con . inent that by means of PANA, Africa should. ordered firm action against those responsibile after local newspapers revealed the blindings, carried out by piercing the cycballs of prisoners with needles and pouring in acid. The Bihar government, run by Mrs. Gandhi's Congress (I) Party, started an inquiry and suspended 15 police officials but has since Been accused of delaying tactics in the affair, which caused stormy scenes in the national parliament here.

Bihar counsel K.G. Bhagat told the court Monday the 24 cases had been instigated against police personnel, some of whom bad been detained. But Chief Justice Y.V. Chandrachud said the investigation should not continue indefinitely. Bhagat said the Bihar government had decided two days ago to deposit an ex-gratia payment of \$1,870 in a bank oo behalf of each blinded person. They would receive \$18 dollars per month as interest, he said,

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TESTING GAS MASKS: A team of German scientists are busy performing tests involving the development of protective masks against toxic gases. These volunteer scientists undergo tough in-action tests. The tests are considered of great importance due to the increased dangers of poisonous gas.

Italian judge leftists' terms rejected

ROME, Jan. 6 (AP) - The government has rejected the demands for media access made by the Red Brigades terrorists who have threatened to kill a kidnapped judge. A message from the leftist gang Sunday said the 'death sentence' passed oo Judge Giovanni D'urso could be suspended if the government allowed the uncensored broadcast and publin of the "political views" of inmates belo

by the Brigades. Interior Minister Virginio Rognoni presided over a police summit meeting in Rome to direct operations in the bunt for D'urso, who was grabbed by the Brigades in Rome Dec. 12.

A special police assault team bad put down a rebellion led by suspected terrorists at Trani, on the Adriatic coast, Dec. 29. Renato e of the founder believed held at Palmi in southern Calabria. In a statement, the Milan-based moderate daily Corriere Della Sera said it has decided complete press silence on the demands of the terrorist-kidnappers of D'urso."

Mrs. Thatcher drops six aides John Nott appointed new **U.K. defense minister**

LONDON, Jan. 6 (AP) - In the first cabinet reshufile of her 20-month-old government, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has changed her Defense Minister and dropped six other ministers. Defense Minister Francis Pym, who had bitterly opposed economy cuts in the armed services, was Monday made leader of the House of Commons in place of Norman St. John-Stevas.

Pym retained his cabinet rank and also took responsibility for government information services from Angus Maude, who was ousted from the government hut given a knighthood in compensation. Maude was much criticized for not projecting a favorable image of government policies. John Nott, a strong supporter of Mrs. Thatcher's hardline monetary policies, was promoted to defense minister. Nott had been trade secretary.

Also dropped was Social Security Minister Reginald Prennice, who quit the opposition Labor Party for the Conservatives in protest at what he called leftist infiltration. Prentice was said by officials to be suffering from high blood pressure. The three non-cahinet ministers dropped were Employment Undersecretary James Lester, Environment Undersecretary Marcus Fox and junior Defense Minister Lord Stratcheona. The full list of changes totaled 18.

A spokesman for the premier's office said the reshuffle indicated no change in the govemment's economic and industrial policy. Mrs. Thatcher has raised interest rates on bank lending and slashed public spending to reduce inflation from more than 22 per ceot to just over 15 per ceot. Her policies are blamed for lifting unemployment to nearly 2.1 million from 1.3 million wheo she came to power.

Times bids under study

TORONTO, Jan. 6 (R) - Newspaper magnate Lord Thomson said a decision will probably he made this month about the Times of London group's future owners. Another London newspaper the Observer, said Sunday that six firm bids were submitted before the Dec. 31 deadline for potential purchasers set hy Canadian-owned Thomson Briosh huld ings, owners of Times newspaper.

Lord Thomson said in an interview that his company's representatives in London had been checking out expressions of interest in the publications, "just making sure the bids are legiomate,"

Campaign against Mao cult gathers momentum

PEKING, Jan. 6 (R) - China's campaign against the cuit of Mao Tse-tung has gathered strength with an official disclosure that his selected works were repeatedly edited to make him appear superman. The dislosure was made in the Wenhui Bao, an official newspaper in Shangahi, the base of China's Maoist radicals until the Communist Party chairman died four years ago.

The paper contrasted his five-volume selected works with the newly-published first volume of the selected works of Chou En-lai, China's revered premier who also died in 1976. It said Chou's works had been collected and reprinted, where the original texts had survived, in their original forms. Arbitrary additions were being made repeatedly to Mao's works to inflate his image. "This was an important way of building up the personality cult," the paper said in an weekend edition.

"It was a way of dressing up Mao to make him appear wiser than other people as if be did oot have to base his perceptions on practice, as if be had understood everything about the Chinese revolution from the word go ... as

U.S. sends marines

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6 (AFP) - The United States would send a Dattalion of 1.800 marines to the Indian Ocean to replace a similar unit which left the area last Dec. 7, the Defense Department announced Monday. The battalion is being transported aboard three amphibious transport ship.

if his perceptions had not needed to develop." The weekly English-language magazine Peking Review has publicly con-firmed that the Communist Party would soon make an overall appraisal of Mao's contributions and mistakes. "During his later years, especially during the cultural revolution, which be personally initiated and led, he committed no small mistakes and brought misfortunes to the party, the country and the people", it said, echoing a statement by the prosecutor in the trial of Mao's widow last

Microbes producing liquid fuel are found

TORONTO, Jan. 6 (R) - University of Toronto scienosis have said that they found several microbes which produce an oil-like substance which can be used as a liquid fuel. The bacteria, which use sunlight and carbon dioxide from the air as a fuel source, have several advantages over alcobol as a fuel supplement, and may be the idea fuel source for spacecraft.

One of the bacteria is found in soil around gas wells where there is apparently some scepage. Another is a bybrid developed at University in England. The scientists said Monday that bacteria-produced oil, which does not use arable land needed for food production, avoided some of the problems associated with alcohol and gasohol fuels.

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Hand of Faith' gold nugget sale blocked A spokesman of the Ministry for Home Affairs said the granting of an export liceose

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MELBOURNE, Jan. 6 (AP) - The Australian government has blocked the sale of the 27.2 k.g. "Hand of Faith" gold nugget o a Las Vegas casino. Contracts bad beeo irawn up for the sale of the Nuggm, the largest discovered i in the state of Victoria I for more than 70 years, to the gold nugget casino.

Meanwhile, police arrested 44 blind people bere for holding a demonstration against Mrs. Gandhi. They were arrested outside the venue of the inaugural function of the International Year of Disabled Persons, which formally began in India Monday. A police spokesman said the arrests were made as there was fear of a breach of the peace.

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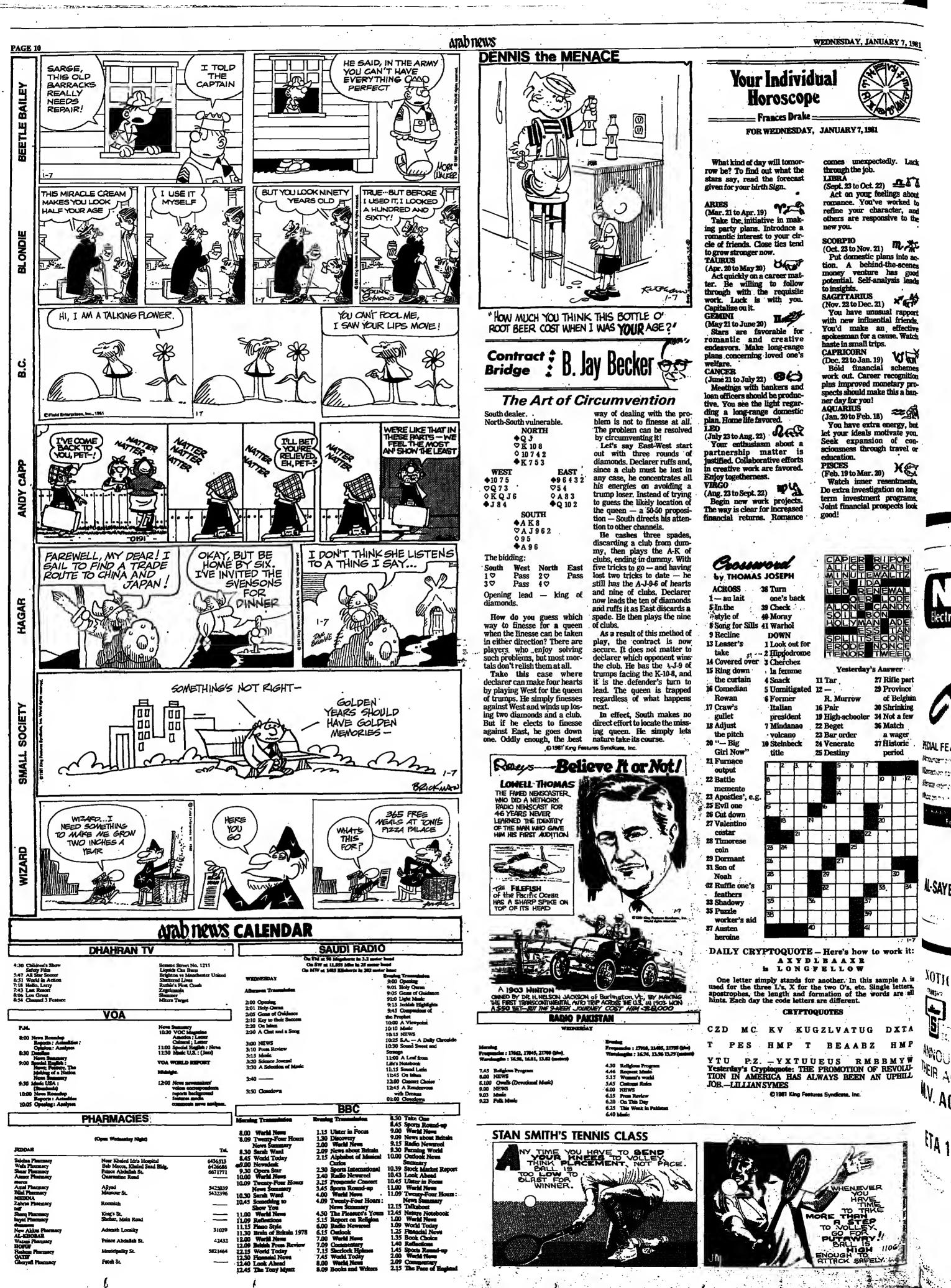
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Addressing parliament, Jusoce Minister Adolfo Sarti said the government was making every effort to save D'urso's life "but the government must declare that the sinister procedures proposed by the terrorists bave no possibility of being accepted and only tes-tify to the cloaked criminality of their thinking

Earlier, leaders of major poliocal parties have urged the government to take a firm line and reject the demands of the Red Brigades. Flaminio Piccmali, secretary of Premier Arnaldo Foriani's Christian Democrat Party. termed the demands "unacceptable black-mail" and said those held in jails were criminals, "not poliocal combatants," as described



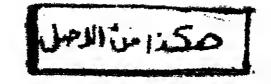




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U.S. envoy's call

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Retain sanctions against Moscow

MOSCOW, Jan. 6(AP) - Thomas J. Watson Jr., outring United States ambassador to the Soviet Union, has said that America should maintain its trade sanctions against Moscow until the Kremlin takes steps toward withdrawing its forces from Afghanistan. In an interview with the Associated Press Monday, Watson also said attempts to negotiate U.S. cold wave plays havoc,

kills seven

NEW YORK, Jan. 6 (AP) - Frigid air howing down America's eastern seaboard was playing havoc with car batteries and fuel lines, boilers and water pipes from Maine to Georgia. At least seven deaths were blamed on the intense cold. Record low temperatures were matched hy record high power demand in north Carolina, Virginia and Massachusetts. Thousands of distress calls were reported from stranded motorists and from apartment-dwellers without heat.

One man was found dead of exposure inside a parked car in Richmond, Virginia, where temperatures dipped to a record 6º F (15 C) Monday. An unidentified man was found frozen to death on a downtown Chicago sidewalk, A father and son in Boston were overcome by fumes from a gas space heater in their apartment.

Over the weekend as the cold swept down from Canada, three weather-related deaths were reported in Pennsylvania. Temperatures dipped below the freezing point over the weekend in parts of Florida, but only isolated, minor damage to citrus crops and vegetables was reported.

Dollar declines, gold is mixed

LONDON, Jan. 6 (AP) - The dollar fell on world foreign exchanges for the second consecutive day Tuesday, on the heels of major changes in the U.S.-Soviet SALT Π treaty would be time consuming an would "just put ourselves and the work in more jeopardy than we are today."

Watson, a Carter administration appointee. who will leave his post this month, said it is too early to lift the partial embarge on sales of grain and high technology to the Soviet Union. The embargo was part of President Carter's response to Moscow's intervention in Afghanistan in Dec. 1979, Some 85,000 Soviet troops remain in the central Asian nation.

Uotil the Soviets demonstrate some willingness to behave as the international community indicated it thought they should behave ... I believe we should stay where we are with the actions we took," he said. President-elect Ronald Reagan has criticized the grain embargo as harmful to American farmers and said Friday that he would give a "great deal of study" to ending it. Watson, 66, said he would prefer that an end to sanctions be linked with a "political settlement in Afghanistan" that included the withdrawal of Soviet forces.

"I don't want you to think that I think the trade thing has been completely effective." Watson said, noting that American allies have picked up some business that the U.S. let drop. "Bnt I still think that what we've done was right." Watson, who served before his appointment to Moscow as chairman of a presidential committee on disarmament, said "he thought Reagan could win "modest

changes" from the Soviets on SALT IL "On the other hand, if we're really going to try to go back and recegotiate it, or get it folded into SALT III or something like that, 1 predict that this will take a long time and that if we try to do it - with major changes or a new treaty - we will just put ourselves and the world in more jeopardy than we are in today," he said.

He predicted American demands for changes would prompt Soviet counterdemands. Scrapping the treaty, be said, could spark a new arms race. Watson said he thought it would be impossible to win a therlear arms race with the Soviet Unioo and characterized such a race as "pointless." He said the Soviet Union "can reduce the standard of living here substantially' to finance an arms race. "These are a very obedient of people," he said.



NAMIBIA TALKS: The Turnnalle Party delegates, who are in Geneva to attend the U.N. conference on Manufaia, address the first pres conference Monday. Picture shows: (left to right) In. Insurcat, chief delegate, F. Kommonizi and Pool Heinsut

Namibian issue Waldheim to open Geneva talks today

GENEVA, Jan. 6 (R) - U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim was due to arrive Tuesday for a multi-party conference which, if successful, could bring independence to Namibia (South-West Africa) by the end of the year

But failure would almost certainly result in escalation of 14-year-old bush war between South African-led forces and the Marxistoriented black nationalist guerrilla movement, the South-West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO).

Spokesmen for SWAPO and the ruling internal Democratic Turnhalle Alliance (DTA) have said they want a constructive U.N.-backed plan for a ceasefire, elections seven months later under U.N. supervision and independence for the former German colony.

tions in the territory just over two years ago which were not recognized internationally, has strong doubts about U.N. impartiality. Its delegates have demanded equal status with SWAPO and all other parties here and in all future orgoniations.

SWAPO spokesman Theo-Ben Gurirab, who represents the organizatioo's observer group at the U.N., said Monday its sincerity and determination in seeking an early settlemeot was demonstrated by SWAPO chief Sam Nujoma heading its 25-man team.

He did not appear to attach crucial imporfance to the seating arrangements, but said the conference could help to clarify two

replacement of the 7,500-strong U.N. force

which would supervise the peace plan.

But observers believed this was more of a move to embarrass the South Africans than a last-minute condition.

However, the scating arrangements and the absence so far of any set agenda could bring tough procedural wrangling as soon as. Waldheim f : nally opens the conference

Wednesday. Meanwhile, a representative of the Namibian internal parties, Farvey Kozonqvizi, told reporters they sought a stams at the talks equal to that of SWAPO.

Up to now, the Turnhalle Alliance was to attend under the wings of the South African-appointed Administrator General of

Viet mortar bombs hit Thai hamlet BANGKOK, Jan. 6 (R) - The

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charged Tuesday that five villagers were injured and three houses damaged when three Vietnamese mortar bombs landed near a border hamlet on Thai territory. The military supreme command said the 82mm mortar rounds hit houses about 30 meters inside Thailand Monday, possibly as a result of fighting between Vietnamese-led forces and the Khmer Rouge across the border.

Thailand has lodged a protest with Vietnam over a 90-minute clash between Thailand and Vietnamese-led forces last Saturday in which two Thai soldiers were killed and a third wounded. Bangkok charged that a contingent of Vietnamese-led forces entered Thailand before being intercepted by Thai border guards.

Mintoff meets Italian P.M.

ROME, Jan. 6 (R) - Maltese Prime Minister Dom Mintoff has conferred with Italian Prime Minister Arnaldo Forlani and Foreign Minister Emilio Colombo about the projected agreement over Maltese neutrality. They exchanged information on passage through their parliaments of the ratification of the understanding of Sept. 1980," an official statement said.

The project is now at the committee stage here. Under the draft agreement, Malta 123.58 would declare its neutrality, including its refusal to join any alliance or to permit the establishment of foreign bases or the repair of Soviet or American ships in Maltese docks. A simultaneous Italian statement would recog-- 15 R.S nize Malta's neutrality, ask other countries to ... respect it and guarantee consultations possibly leading to military aid if Maltese oeutrality was threatened, Italian officials said.

Italy would provide \$50 million as aid over five years, a \$15-million credit for a joint industrial project and four million dollars a year for technicial, scientific and cultural cooperation.

declining U.S. interest rates. It reached a 23-month low in Tokyo. Gold prices were mixed.

London's five bullion houses fixed a recommended morning gold price of\$599.25 a troy ounce, down from 602 at the close Monday, but in Zurich, the metal traded at a median \$599.50, up from 595.50. Earlier in Hong Kong, gold closed at 600.60, up 5.94, after finishing at \$593 in New York late Monday afternoon. Silver was quoted in London mid-morning at \$16.30 an ounce,

unchanged. The dollar fell to a 23-month low in Tokyo, dropping below 200 yen for the first time since February 1979. It closed at 199.60 yen, from 201.40 Monday, after repeated Bank of Japan intervention to prevent the yen from appreciating too rapidly. At one point the doilar fell to 198.70 yen, dealers said, fore-casting even further decline on the strength of the Japanese economy's productiveness and low inflation rate. One European dealer added that the yen's sharp gains "sbouldn't be surprising given their strong industry and their ability to sell petrochemical knowledge for oil."

London dealers speculated that OPEC countries were putting more oil cash into the yen, boosting the Japanese currency. The dollar recovered slightly hy mid-morning in Europe after a lower opening. In London, the pound was worth \$2.4295 (2.4165), a gain of more than one cent against the dollar after a huge 31/2-cent leap Monday.

The dollar's weakness is almost wholly attributed to the recent decline in U.S. interest rates, making eurodollar and other dollar holdings less attractive to investors.

Dog dug out alive AVELLINO. Italy, Jan. 6 (R) - A wire-

haired terrier named Reno was dug out alive Tuesday from the ruins of his home here, 43 days after it was destroyed in November's carthquake. A fire brigade spokesman said Reno's owner, a 19-year-old girl, remirned to look at the remains of the home and heard faint whinning onder the rubble. She called the firemen, who found the dog, skeletal but alive, in a hole where he had survived by drinking water.

But the multi-racial DTA, which won elec-

He said a resolution of the 14-month-old

hostages crisis" depends on America's policy

on what kind of policy it will have during Reagan's tenure in office."

Ayat, a member of the Iranian parliament, said it is up to the U.S. officials" to make us

Ayat is not a member of the Iranian com-

missioo which is discussing the U.S. proposals with Algerian mediators. When asked if he

had seen the American document or was fully

aware of its contents, he did not answer

directly. Instead he replied, "I have not

However, Ayat said the latest U.S. propos-

als which were brought to Iran Friday by

Algerian mediators and were being studied

by members of Prime Minister Muhammad Ali Rajai's government, "were unacceptable

and did not satisfy us, because they do not

give enough guarantee to what we want.".

sions is thought to be Iran's demand that the

United States deposit \$ 24 billion in the

Algerian Central Bank - an amount

designed to cover Iranian assets frozen in the

United States following the seizure of the

hostages, plus any other assets which the Iranians claim may turn up at some future date.

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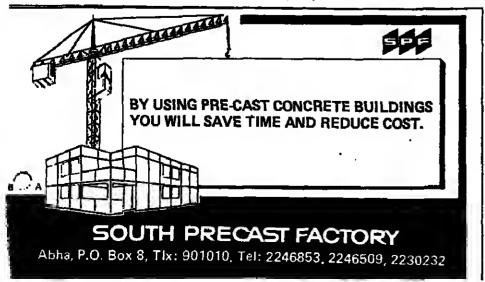
HANG HAILED : Secretary of State-designate Alexander Haig is greeted at the Capitol by Senators Howard Baker (R), Charles Percy and former Sen. Jacob Javits of New York. Haig's confirmation bearings are due to begin before the Senate Foreign Relations

Jan. 20.

Iranian leader rejects fresh U.S. proposals American hostages would be freed before President-elect Ronald Reagan takes office

BEIRUT, Jan. 6 (AP) - A leading member of Iran's Islamic Republic Party, a primary source of hardline opposition to President Aholhassan Bani-Sadr's moderates, said Tuesday that the latest U.S. proposals on the hostage dilemma are" unacceptable.

Hassan Ayat, interviewed in Tehran by telephone from Beirut, also said he considers it " a very remote possibility " that the 52



Gurirab sprang a surprise by saying SWAPO had asked Waldheim to use his influence to secure the release of SWAPO leaders detained by South Africa, including Toivo Ja Toivo, so that they could attend the

Talks with Jagielski spirited, says Walesa

WARSAW, Jan. 6 (AP) - Independent Polish labor leader Lech Walesa held a surprise meeting Monday with Deputy Premier Mieczyslaw Jagielski on unresolved disputes and afterwards termed the talks "spirited."

Asked whether any issues were resolved during the four-hour session at the council of ministers building, Walesa said: "It depends on bow you look at it." Walesa refused to answer further questions.

Union sources said issues under discussion included such unresolved matters as free Saturdays, collective bargaining procedures, alleged harassment of members in the pro-

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relations with the Arab countries we are aiming at strengthening our historical, cultural and moral ties and establishing productive cooperation in all fields that will serve our mutual interests. The progress in with these countries and the results attained through our cooperation with them during the recent years are a great source of satisfaction.

"We continue to hold the opinion that the long standing Middle-East problem can be hrought to a just comprehensive and durable peaceful solution through the participation of all parties concerned in the oegotiating process," he said. "Israel should withdraw to the pre-1967 borders and a final settlement must encompass the recognition of the legitimate rights of the Palestinians, including their right to establish an independent state," he added.

"In the light of these considerations no obstacle would remain for conducting normal relations with Israel, if she refrains from jeopardizing regional peace and from acts and practices determined to the interests and moral values of the regional countries and also if she implements the United Nation's resolution relevant to the Middle East problem,' Uhusu, said.

About our relations with Western Europe and NATO he said the government attaches great importance to its membership in the European Council and its cooperation with the Council. "It is our most natural right to expect from our friends, and particularly from the statesman, of the European Council member countries to evaluate the situation of Turkey realistically, in the light of the particularioes of the geographic area she lies in, and the events she has gone through in recent years, "he said.

The United Nations has recognized SWAPO as the "sole and anthentic representative" of the people of Namibia. SWAPO considers the Turnhalle Alliance as "puppers' of South Africa, but reluctantly agreed to what the U.N. officially terms a "multiparty" ... pre-implementation meeting."

vinces and access to media. Walesa's union, known as Solidanty, has asked the government to reach agreement on

the issues by Jan. 15. Meanwhile, Polish newspapers sharply criticized remarks by Solidarity leaders and warned that the Polish army is concerned over continued social mirest in parts of the country.

Through Zolnierz Wolzosci, the Polish army newspaper, the army has from time to time spoken against what it considers excesses in the name of liberalization and reform sweeping Poland since the summer strikes. The army daily blasted Solidarity deputy leader Andrzej Gwiazda for what it termed "anti-worker and anti-socialist" remarks made to the West German newspaper, Bild Zeitung, in December, It said Gwiazda told the German daily that democracy would prevail in Poland only when a multi-party system. was introduced.

"Such statements as those made hy Gwiazda can come only from one who does not understand Poland's historical experiences and who does not comprehend the current transformations," the newspaper said.

Grenade attack on Thai singer

claims six lives BANGKOK, Jan. 6 (AP) - Six people

were killed and 80 others wounded when a man threw a hand grenade into a big crowd watching a fol singer performing at a temple fair in south eastern Thailand, a police officer said Tuesday. The police said Surachai Sombatcharcon, a well-known Thai singer, was the target of the killer but escaped miraculously because the grenade fell some distance away from him.

The incident occurred at Inchon Burihprovince, 80 km southeast of Bangkok. The attacker - who apparently had a personal aminosity with the singer - was arrested, the police said.

The incident was the fourth criminal act involving grenades or bombs in Thailand in the past two weeks.

In another development, bodies of 17 peo-ple, believed to be Vietnamese refugees, have been found floating in the sea off the southern Thai province of Songkhla over the past 10 days, police said Tuesday. Two boatloads of refugees who arrived in Songkhla province on Dec. 27 told police that they had eft Vietnam with four other boats which had later disappeared in heavy seas.

Train mishap kills 6

MADRID, Jan. 6 (R) - Six people were killed and 20 injured when a passenger train and a locomotive collided head-on Monday. The accident occurred near Miraflores della Sierra, 45 km. north of here. The two-coach express-train was traveling from Burgos to Madrid.

